



SUPREME COURT

REPUBLIC OF PALAU

HIRING ANNOUNCEMENT

Extern Positions

Trial and Appellate Divisions of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Palau

The Republic of Palau, a tropical island nation in Micronesia, renowned for its unspoiled natural beauty and marine life, is hiring externs for the Fall, Spring, and Summer terms at the Republic's Supreme Court. Externs will work closely with court counsels, who are analogous to law clerks in the United States, and will primarily conduct legal research, prepare bench memos, draft proposed orders and opinions, observe trials and oral arguments, and proofread court orders and opinions.

Virtual Externs

- Start dates are flexible, but students are required to work for 10 weeks
- Fall and Spring externs will work virtually
- Summer externs will preferably be in-person, but the Court will consider applicants seeking virtual externships during the summer
- Preference for part-time externs due to time differences with the continental United States

In-Person Externs

- Start dates are flexible, but students are required to work for 10 weeks
- Only hiring for the summer
- Must be available full time
- The Court cannot provide **any compensation** but can provide assistance in finding housing

The Court is seeking 3L applicants with prior judicial externship or journal experience but will consider exceptional 2L applicants with proven experience in legal research and writing. The Court aims to improve the quality of legal practice in Micronesia and Oceania at large. As such, the Court prefers to hire candidates with ties to, or interest in, the region. Prior extern experience with the Court will be viewed favorably when considering applications for Court Counsel positions in the future.

Applications must consist of a cover letter, resume, and a ten-page writing sample. Preferences for trial or appellate work should be stated in the cover letter. Applications are considered on a rolling basis. The application windows are:

Fall Externs: July to August

Spring Externs: September to November

Summer Externs: December to February

Email your application to palaujudiciaryocc@gmail.com and CC lkotaro@palausupremecourt.net. The email title should state which semester you are applying for. Applications should be addressed to the attention of:

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