



UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

EXTERNSHIPS

About the Court

The Central District of California is the largest Bankruptcy Court in the United States. Presently, the District holds court in Los Angeles, Riverside, Santa Ana, Santa Barbara, and the San Fernando Valley.

The Central District of California covers approximately 40,000 square miles and stretches from the Central Coast area of the state eastward to the Nevada and Arizona borders. The Court has jurisdiction in the seven-county region, comprised of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Ventura, and San Luis Obispo Counties.

The Central District is part of the Ninth Circuit, which encompasses the federal courts of nine states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington. The Ninth Circuit also extends appellate services to the Territory of Guam and to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The Ninth Circuit is the largest of the twelve federal circuits in size, population, number of federal judges, and volume of litigation. It includes fifteen federal district courts, thirteen bankruptcy courts, and a court of appeals.

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Extern Job Description

Primary responsibilities for externs include extensive legal research and writing on a broad range of issues. Externs will prepare bench memoranda on a variety of substantive bankruptcy issues and will be provided with the opportunity to observe hearings and trials. In addition to working on core bankruptcy concepts, externs will assist with matters dealing with secured transactions, real property law, family law, evidence, and federal practice and procedure. Knowledge of bankruptcy and commercial law are helpful, but there are no prerequisites.

How to Apply:

Individual judges' chambers have specific requirements for applicant qualifications and application materials. For more information regarding each judges' specific application requirements, please [click here](#).



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