

**APPLYING FOR CLERKSHIPS**  
**WITH FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES**

There are approximately thirty (30) federal executive agencies that utilize administrative law judges, or ALJ's. Some ALJ's hire law clerks or staff attorneys to assist them with performing legal research and drafting memoranda and orders, among other things, in connection with their quasi-judicial functions. There is no centralized application process in which the ALJ's in the various federal agencies participate to hire their clerks. Rather, the hiring process varies agency-by-agency.

For those interested in clerking with a federal ALJ, there are several ways to learn of what opportunities are available and how to go about applying for them. Students should contact the agencies in which they are interested and inquire directly to determine whether the ALJ's are hiring clerks and the process to apply. Below is a list of the federal agencies that we understand currently have ALJ's and their points of contact. Students should also check the online job postings on Symplicity and [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov) as federal agencies occasionally announce openings for clerkship positions on those websites.

The Boston office of the Department of Labor, Office of Administrative Law Judges, participates in the MA Law School Consortium Government and Public Interest Job Fair and hires law clerks each year through that program.

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