



United States Courts for the Ninth Circuit
POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

The United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit invites applications from all qualified persons for the position of Federal Public Defender (FPD) for the Western District of Washington. This position will be available starting March 1, 2022.

The FPD Office is headquartered in Seattle, WA, and maintains a fully staffed branch office in Tacoma, WA. The FPD manages an annual budget of \$12 million and an office of about 55 employees, which include attorneys, paralegals, investigators, and administrative personnel. The term of appointment is four years, renewable upon demonstration of highly satisfactory performance in office. The current authorized annual salary is \$170,800. The Office of the Federal Public Defender provides federal criminal defense services to individuals unable to afford counsel. An applicant must satisfy the following conditions: (1) be admitted to practice before the highest court of at least one state; (2) be a member in good standing of every State Bar of which they are a member; (3) have a minimum of 5 years of criminal practice, preferably with significant federal criminal trial experience; (4) possess administrative expertise; (5) have a reputation for integrity; and (6) be committed to the representation of those unable to afford counsel.

A Local Screening Committee will review all applications and conduct interviews of the most qualified candidates. The screening committee will refer the most qualified candidates to the Ninth Circuit's Standing Committee on Federal Public Defenders, who will refer the best qualified candidate to the Court of Appeals for selection and appointment.

The application form and further instructions are available at the below listed website. *Applicants are advised to allow for sufficient time to complete and submit the application.*

A scanned PDF copy of the completed and signed application form, including law school transcripts, state bar certifications of good standing, and optional letters of reference must be uploaded to <https://recruit.ce9.uscourts.gov> no later than 5:00 p.m. PST on Thursday, January 21, 2021. Letters of reference not included with the application will not be considered.

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Submission Deadline:

Thursday, January 21, 2021 by 5:00 p.m. PST

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