

Sample Script for Calls to Judges: Federal

1. Hi, I'm a 2L/3L/law school graduate interested in a clerkship with Judge _____.

I didn't see any current information on OSCAR regarding the judge's clerkship hiring. Can I ask you a few questions about your judge's clerkship-hiring plans?

2. Does the judge have or anticipate clerkship openings for the 20XX term?

- a. If the judge has openings:
 - i. Is the judge accepting applications now?
 - ii. Does the judge prefer to receive hard copies by mail with the standard enclosures?
- b. If the judge has openings but is not accepting applications yet:
 - i. Does the judge plan to post an opening on OSCAR when he/she is ready to receive applications?
- c. If the judge doesn't plan to use OSCAR (or it is unknown):
 - i. Would the judge consider applications received by mail during a certain time period?

d. Does the judge have or anticipate clerkship openings for the 20XX term or later terms?

- a. If the judge has openings:
 - i. Is the judge accepting applications now?
 - ii. Does the judge prefer to receive hard copies by mail with the standard enclosures?
- b. If the judge has openings but is not accepting applications yet:
 - i. Does the judge plan to post an opening on OSCAR when he/she is ready to receive applications?
- c. If the judge doesn't plan to use OSCAR (or it is unknown):
 - i. Would the judge consider applications received by mail during a certain time period?

4. Does the judge have a preference for how many semesters of grades he/she would like see on applicants' transcripts?

5. Does the judge have a preference for applicants who worked between undergrad and law school or between law school and the clerkship?

6. Thank you very much for your time.

Sample Script for Calls to Judges: State

1. Hi, I'm a 2L/3L/law school graduate interested in a clerkship with Judge _____.

I haven't been able to locate the judge's hiring preferences online or via my law school's clerkship office.

Can I ask you a few questions about your judge's clerkship-hiring plans?

2. Does the judge have or anticipate clerkship openings for the 20XX term?

a. If the judge has openings:

i. Is the judge accepting applications now?

ii. Does the judge prefer to receive hard copies by mail with the standard enclosures?

b. If the judge has openings but is not accepting applications yet:

i. Would the judge consider applications received by mail during a certain time period?

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6. Thank you very much for your time.