

# U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

**POSITION:** Programmer/Analyst

**LOCATION:** San Francisco, CA

**CLASSIFICATION LEVEL/SALARY:** CL 27 (\$54,890 - \$89,272)

Depending on salary and qualifications.

TERM: 1 year

Renewable based on performance and budget.

CLOSING DATE: Open until filled

Priority consideration given to applications

received by April 24, 2014.

#### POSITION DESCRIPTION & REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES

This position is located in San Francisco and reports to the Assistant Information Systems Manager, Applications. You will design and maintain court client and web based applications related to an electronic case management and case filing system (CM/ECF) as well as other applications for the court.

- Consult with customers regarding software requirements, user interface design, enhancement and maintenance. Professionally communicate information on best practices, optimal solutions and implementation constraints to customers and management.
- Document software, performance, and user interface requirements.
- Design and develop web applications, reports, and supporting database schemas.
- Maintain good rapport with customers throughout project to provide excellent customer service and align expectations with deliverables.
- Provide end user support and document support requirements for applications.
- Perform advanced troubleshooting and problem solving individually and with teammates.
- Apply working knowledge of web programming languages, platforms and methods such as JavaScript, jQuery, Java, PHP, Zend, SQL, Procedural SQL, relational database design, object oriented design and development, Linux, Windows, Informix, SQL Server and MySQL to development projects.
- Assist with training end users and information technology staff.
- Perform other related duties or special projects, as assigned.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS for CL 27**

- High school graduation or equivalent; college degree preferred.
- At least two (2) years of progressively responsible technical experience which provides knowledge of designing, implementing or maintaining computer systems that include the completion of projects involving computer programming, application development and database administration.
- At least two (2) years of demonstrated knowledge and experience in designing and maintaining web applications using scripting languages such as PHP, jQuery, Java, JavaScript, relational database design and object oriented design and development, and the ability to write and test complex SQL statements.
- Demonstrated proactive and responsive customer service skills.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to handle multiple projects and tasks at one time.
- Professional and reliable demeanor.
- Strong office and organizational skills.
- Ability to work with confidential and sensitive information.
- Demonstrated ability to meet established deadlines and commitments.
- Ability to interact in a positive and professional manner with users at all levels of the court.
- Ability to help maintain a strong team environment to effectively identify, diagnose, and resolve complex problems.
- Ability to travel and lift 50 lbs.

## PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree, preferably in Computer Science or a related field of study.
- At least five (5) years of progressively responsible technical experience which provides knowledge of
  designing, implementing or maintaining computer systems that include the completion of projects
  involving computer programming, application development and database administration.
- At least three (3) years of demonstrated knowledge and experience in designing and maintaining web applications using scripting languages such as PHP, jQuery, Java, JavaScript, relational database design and object oriented design and development, and the ability to write and test complex SQL statements.
- Direct experience with Linux, PHP, Business Objects, Web Services, PrimeFaces, and Object-Oriented Web Application Frameworks, such as Zend, SharePoint, and/or programming modifications to internal court systems (CM/ECF).
- Training experience.
- General knowledge of court functions and procedures.

## **BENEFITS**

- Vacation time accrues at a rate of 13 days per year the first three years; increasing with tenure.
- Sick days accrue up to 13 per year; 10 holidays.
- Choice of a variety of employer-subsidized federal health and life insurance plans. Dental and vision coverage available. Flexible spending account program.
- Optional long-term disability and long-term care insurance.
- Participation in both the Federal Employees Retirement System and the Thrift Savings Plan (similar to a 401K, with employer matching).
- Mass transit subsidy (budget dependent).
- On-site gym and café.

#### ABOUT THE COURT

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals is one of 12 regional federal courts. Circuit courts hear appeals from the district (trial) courts located within their circuit, as well as appeals from decisions of federal administrative agencies. Headquartered in San Francisco with courthouses in Pasadena, Seattle and Portland, the Court serves nine western states, Guam and the Mariana Islands. For more information about the federal court system, please visit: <a href="http://www.uscourts.gov/">http://www.uscourts.gov/</a> For more information about the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, please visit: <a href="http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov">http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov</a>.

#### **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

Must be a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident seeking citizenship. Excepted service appointments are "at will" and can be terminated with or without cause by the Court. Employees will be hired provisionally pending the results of a background investigation and fingerprinting, and are subject to a one-year probationary period. Employees are subject to the *Judicial Code of Conduct*. Direct deposit of pay required. The U.S. Court of Appeals is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

## **TO APPLY**

Please submit a resume and a <u>detailed cover letter</u> which clearly demonstrates why you are the best person for this position, along with 3 references to: <u>ITPR@ca9.uscourts.gov</u>

To ensure consideration, please submit these materials by **April 24, 2014.** Only candidates selected for an interview will be notified. Unsuccessful candidates will not receive notice.