



CUYAHOGA COUNTY OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER
Chief Public Defender – Cullen Sweeney

Post Graduate Fellowship Application

Job Description:

The post graduate fellow will have an opportunity to work in the Felony, Municipal, or Juvenile Divisions of the Cuyahoga County Public Defender's Office. We ask that the fellow have their certified intern license through the Supreme Court of Ohio. The fellow will observe, work with, and participate in, when possible, all stages of the trial and/or appellate process. The fellow will assist a supervising attorney in all stages of trial preparation including client interviews, legal research, and motion writing. Fellows will be encouraged to practice problem solving skills within the context of various legal issues and engage in discussions and strategy planning with the attorney.

Eligibility: 1) Plans to take the July 2025 Ohio bar examination, 2) Ability to work from August to early October on a part time basis, 3) Dedication to Indigent Defense, 4) Sponsorship from law school, 5) Certified Intern License

Application Procedure:

All application packets must include the following: A cover letter that includes a statement of interest in a career dedicated to indigent defense and planned career path, Resume, and Writing Sample no later than April 14, 2024, interviews to follow if selected.

These materials should be addressed and delivered by mail or email to: Amy Goff, Chief Law Clerk, Cuyahoga County Public Defender's Office, 310 W Lakeside Ave, Suite 400, Cleveland, OH 44113

If sending via email, please send your application packet to: sm-pd-employment@cuyahogacounty.us

Reasonable accommodation is available to all employees and applicants. If you have a disability that needs to be accommodated, please contact the Department of Human Resources / ADA Coordinator at: 216 443 7190.

Equal Opportunity Employer – Smoke free and Drug free workplace. All job offers made with the understanding that prospective employees pass a drug and criminal background investigation prior to being hired.

