



UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT

Notice of Adoption of the New Federal Law Clerk Hiring Plan May 2018

Starting with students who entered law school in 2017, the application and hiring process will not begin until after a law student's second year.

For students who entered law school in 2017 (graduating class of 2020): Judges will not seek or accept formal or informal clerkship applications, seek or accept formal or informal recommendations, conduct formal or informal interviews, or make formal or informal offers before June 17, 2019.

For students who enter law school in 2018 (graduating class of 2021): Judges will not seek or accept formal or informal clerkship applications, seek or accept formal or informal recommendations, conduct formal or informal interviews, or make formal or informal offers before June 15, 2020.

A judge who makes a clerkship offer will keep it open for at least 48 hours, during which time the applicant will be free to interview with other judges.

This is a one-year pilot plan. Participating judges will reconsider their participation after one year.