

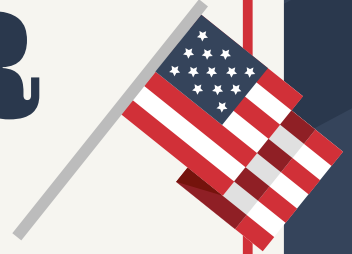
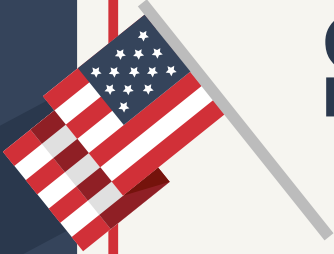
FEDERAL COURT



2024



**SUMMER
SERIES**



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SUMMER SERIES DETAILS

WHO

The Bench Bar Fund of the Middle District of Florida and the Jacksonville Federal Court Bar Association invite all law students working in Jacksonville for the summer to participate in any and all events.

WHAT

For years, we have hosted events to welcome law students to our Jacksonville legal community and introduce them to federal judges, federal practitioners, and various aspects of federal practice. All events are free to attend.

WHERE

Events at the courthouse are in the Bryan Simpson U.S. Courthouse, 300 North Hogan St., Jacksonville, FL 32202. Parking information will be emailed before each event. A photo identification is required for courthouse entry.

RSVP

To RSVP "yes" for an event, visit www.jaxfedbar.org or email admin@jaxfedbar.org. If you RSVP but cannot attend, you must contact (904) 549-1950 in time for another student to take your place.

DRESS CODE

Professional attire must be worn. This means a coat and tie, dress, or the equivalent.



EVENTS



MAY
30
4 PM – 6 PM
*Welcome/Clerking
Event*

JUNE
5
9 AM – 1 PM
Circuit Judge Event

JUNE
10
12 PM – 1:30 PM
*Professionalism/
Etiquette Event*

JUNE
18
3 PM – 4:30 PM
Grand Jury Event

JUNE
25
11 AM – 1:30 PM
District Judge Event

JULY
10
11 AM – 1:30 PM
*Bankruptcy Judge
Event*

JULY
18
10 AM – 12 PM
*Naturalization
Ceremony*

JULY
25
11 AM – 1 PM
*Magistrate Judge
Event*

Bonus!
**Any student who
attends three or
more events will
receive a special
keepsake at the end
of the summer.**



EVENT DETAILS



Welcome/Clerking Event

Location: Jury Room & Sweet Pete's

Welcome to Jacksonville! Join us at the federal courthouse to learn about the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, the role of judicial law clerks and how to become one, the 2024 Summer Series, and some things you can do to have a successful summer. We'll then walk next door to Sweet Pete's to enjoy refreshments and mingle with lawyers, law clerks, and other law students.

Professionalism/ Etiquette Event

Location: River Club

Join us at the River Club for a formal lunch. Dine with judges to discuss courtroom decorum, modern-manners experts to learn about dining etiquette, and local lawyers to ask questions about business and law-firm etiquette.

Circuit Judge Event

Location: 13th Floor & 9th Floor

You likely practiced an oral argument in your appellate advocacy class or during a moot court competition; now listen to actual oral arguments by the pros! Watch cases before the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and then meet with United States Circuit Judges to hear tips for brief writing, oral arguments, and law clerk applications.

Grand Jury Event

Location: Grand Jury Room & 8th Floor

Grand juries are mentioned in the news, but their work is shrouded in secrecy. This event will give you an opportunity to learn about what occurs during grand jury proceedings, why they are outside the public eye, and the important role of a grand juror. Join Frank Talbot, Chief of the Jacksonville Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida, for a presentation, followed by a meet-and-greet with Assistant United States Attorneys.



EVENT DETAILS



District Judge Event

Location: Courtroom 10B & 9th Floor

The Middle District of Florida is one of the busiest federal courts in the country. Attend an oral argument in a civil action before the Honorable Marica Morales Howard, U.S. District Judge, and then join Judge Howard for lunch and a discussion about the work of a district judge.

Naturalization Ceremony Event

Location: 13th Floor & 9th Floor

Witnessing people take the Oath of Allegiance and become United States citizens is a moving and inspiring experience. Join an immigration officer for a discussion about the naturalization process, take a sample citizenship examination, observe a naturalization ceremony, and welcome some of our nation's newest citizens.

Bankruptcy Judge Event

Location: Courtroom 4A & 9th Floor

Most of us have had debt: credit cards, student loans, and medical bills. Sometimes, that debt becomes overwhelming. Bankruptcy helps people and businesses craft a plan to clear their debts and reorganize their financial lives. This event features a presentation on bankruptcy practice by Jason Burgess, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, followed by a casual pizza lunch with him and fellow bankruptcy judges Jerry Funk and Jacob Brown.

Magistrate Judge Event

Location: Courtroom 5B & 9th Floor

From search warrants to social security appeals, from grand jury returns to civil trials, the work of a U.S. Magistrate Judge is never boring. Watch a proceeding before Judge Patricia Barksdale and then join magistrate judges for a lunchtime discussion of the vast scope of duties magistrate judges perform.