TAX COURT OF CANADA



COUR CANADIENNE DE L'IMPÔT

## 2021 – 2022

## Tax Court of Canada APPLICATION FOR CLERKSHIP

Applications are invited for the position of Law Clerk to the Judges of the Tax Court of Canada. The Tax Court of Canada will staff fifteen (15) Law Clerk positions.

#### **PLACE OF WORK**

Tax Court of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario.

#### PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT

One (1) year, commencing on Monday, August 23, 2021.

#### SALARY AND BENEFITS

Salary is currently \$63, 428 per annum. We also offer a comprehensive benefits package.

#### DUTIES

The majority of the workload consists of:

- preparing legal opinions:
- researching specific legal questions; and
- reviewing and commenting on draft reasons for judgment

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- (1) Law degree from a Canadian university obtained by August 23, 2021. If you went to school outside Canada, please consult the Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials (www.cicic.ca);
- (2) Good cumulative grade point average in courses pursued towards a law degree;
- (3) Demonstrated interest in tax law and commercial transactions;
- (4) Successful completion of at least one course in tax law;
- (5) Proficiency in English **or** French is required. Proficiency in the other official language is required for certain positions only;
- (6) Other qualifications will be assessed. For more details, please review the "Statement of Merit Criteria" on page 4.

#### WHO CAN APPLY

Persons residing in Canada and Canadian citizens residing abroad may apply.

Priority will be given to Canadian citizens.

#### HOW TO APPLY

#### YOU:

Your application must be submitted by **Friday**, **January 10**, **2020**, **11h59 pm**. Your application must be submitted **by email only** to <u>clerkships@cas-satj.gc.ca</u>, in the language of your choice and must include the following documents in <u>one single PDF file</u>:

- covering letter addressed to the "Clerkship program of the TCC";
- résumé (specify clearly at the top of your résumé your citizenship, official languages proficiency, email, telephone and address)
- copies of transcripts from other university studies **aside** from law. Do not submit duplicate or certified copies by mail;

#### YOUR LAW SCHOOL:

The Registrar's office of your law school must provide, by mail **or** electronically (<u>clerkships@cas-satj.gc.ca</u>), a certified copy of your latest transcript, which includes your fall 2019 grades that are available at the time of mailing. **The transcript must be received by Friday, January 17, 2020, 11h59 pm.** Do not submit duplicates.

#### **YOUR REFERENCES:**

You must obtain three (3) reference letters from:

- i) two professors from the law faculty, including a professor who has taught you at least one course in tax law;
- ii) one other person.

**Your references must themselves submit their letter by email only** (<u>clerkships@cassatj.gc.ca</u>). Do not submit duplicates by mail. Letters of reference must attest to the candidate's qualifications regarding reliability, discretion, effective interpersonal skills and judgment. It should be noted that each letter of reference does not have to attest to <u>all</u> the qualifications provided that all the qualifications are addressed in one or more of the letters of reference. The letters must be received by **Friday, January 10, 2020, 11h59 pm.** 

Please note that no documents submitted will be returned.

Please do not submit writing samples or any other unsolicited documents. They will not be considered.

We communicate with candidates by e-mail only. Therefore, you must include in your application a valid e-mail address that is functional at all times and accepts messages from unknown users.

#### Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Our contact information:

#### <u>clerkships@cas-satj.gc.ca</u>

(Please make sure to not confuse our email address with that of other federal courts that offer a similar clerkship program)

2021 – 2022 TCC Clerkship Program

Tax Court of Canada 200 Kent Street Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0M1

#### **INTERVIEWS**

**Only** pre-selected applicants will be contacted in early February 2020 and invited for a written exam and interview during the last two weeks of February 2020. The interview will be conducted by a panel of three judges. You are responsible for making your own travel arrangements. Eligible candidates will be reimbursed for their travel expenses according to the Government of Canada Travel Directive.

Successful candidates (only) will be contacted by telephone the week following the conclusion of all interviews. We thank all applicants for their interest; however, **only** those candidates selected for an exam and interview will be contacted.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further inquiries regarding the Tax Court of Canada clerkship or to communicate with a current Law Clerk, please contact:

The Executive Legal Counsel at (613) 996-2700 or the Project Officer by e-mail at <u>clerkships@cas-satj.gc.ca</u> or phone at (613) 996-3451.

You are also welcome to visit the following websites:

Tax Court of Canada: www.tcc-cci.gc.ca

Courts Administration Service: www.cas-satj.gc.ca

#### NOTE

Certain law societies recognize the service of the law clerks as fulfilling all or part of their articling requirements. Candidates should verify this with the law society of the jurisdiction in which they will seek admission to practice.

A pool of qualified candidates may be established as a result of this selection process.

The Public Service of Canada is committed to building a skilled, diverse workforce reflective of Canadian society. As a result, it promotes employment equity and encourages you to indicate voluntarily on your application if you are a woman, an Aboriginal person, a person with a disability or a member of a visible minority group.

The Public Service of Canada is also committed to developing inclusive, barrier-free selection processes and work environments. If contacted in relation to a job opportunity or testing (including interview), you should advise us in a timely fashion of the accommodation measures which must be taken to enable you to be assessed in a fair and equitable manner. Information received relating to accommodation measures will be addressed confidentially.

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### Tax Court of Canada STATEMENT OF MERIT CRITERIA

#### **ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS**

At the time of appointment candidates must have a law degree from a Canadian university. Alternately, the candidate must have a law degree from a university outside of Canada, together with a Certificate of Qualification issued by the National Committee on Accreditation.

Good cumulative grade point average in courses pursued towards law degree.

Demonstrated interest in tax law and commercial transactions.

Successful completion of a course in tax law.

Ability to conduct legal research.

Ability to analyze legal principles and/or legal problems.

Ability to effectively communicate orally and in writing.

Reliability.

Discretion.

Effective Interpersonal Skills.

Judgment.

#### LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS.

(will be assessed at a later date)

Various linguistic profiles to include:

English Essential, French Essential or Bilingual CCB/CCB

#### **ASSET QUALIFICATIONS**

Master's degree in law, taxation, economics, business administration, etc.

Experience working in a legal environment.

A law degree in both common law and civil law.

#### SECURITY

Secret (will be assessed by us at a later date) Willing and able to work flexible hours.