



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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Court Counsel Positions at the Republic of Palau Supreme Court

The Republic of Palau, a tropical island nation in Micronesia, renowned for its unspoiled natural beauty and unique marine life, is seeking applicants for two Court Counsel positions at the Republic's Supreme Court for the upcoming 2022-2023 term. Court Counsel are analogous to federal law clerks in the United States. They are primarily responsible for assisting the Justices and Judges with cases that come before the appellate and trial courts (with a focus on the appellate court). They also provide general legal advice on the administrative operation of the Supreme Court. Routine duties include, *inter alia*, conducting legal research, preparing bench memos, drafting proposed orders and opinions, and proofreading the judge's orders and opinions.

Court Counsel positions are for a one-year term, with start dates available in the summer and fall of 2022. Interviews via Zoom will commence in March, 2022.

Court Counsel receive a salary of approximately U.S. \$41,000, free round-trip basic economy transportation, housing, and, depending upon the availability of funds and at the discretion of the Chief Justice, a moderate sum to cover the cost of shipment of household goods; five weeks of paid vacation and two and a half weeks of sick leave; and a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to have an unforgettable cultural and legal experience.

Prior judicial clerkship experience is preferred. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, contact information for two references, and a writing sample. Candidates should state whether they are currently licensed to practice law in any U.S. jurisdiction. **Applications should be submitted by February 21, 2022, 11:59 p.m. EST.** (We will consider applications on a rolling basis and cannot guarantee that applications submitted after that date will be considered.) Send your application via e-mail or First Class U.S. mail (the rate is the same as to any U.S. state) to the attention of:

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