# Court Web: Ethics for Federal Law Clerks and Other Judicial Employees

The Federal Judicial Center has provided the attached materials to assist courts in program planning and in applying for continuing legal education (CLE) credit for the webcast *Court Web*: *Ethics for Federal Law Clerks and Other Judicial Employees*. The materials include faculty biography, a continuing legal education application form, and a certificate of attendance (**fillable and not fillable forms**) for the webcast.

The Center is unable to process individual applications for CLE credit, and therefore there is no preapproval, but these materials will help you facilitate the process in your court. Each individual attorney is responsible for submitting an application for CLE and for making any payments that are required. The Center does not have course numbers for the jurisdictions; you will have to acquire that information once you apply for CLE credit in the jurisdiction for which you desire credit. With regard to the Court Training Specialist signature that is required on the Certificate of Attendance, you can have your court's Training Coordinator/Training Specialist or Human Resources Specialist/Human Resources Manager sign the certificate. (The FJC does not sign this document.) After it is signed, please submit the form to the CLE Commission or State Bar for which you seek credit. We strongly recommend that you contact your state's CLE board for information about CLE requirements, which vary from state to state.

If you have any questions about the CLE application process, please contact Rhonda Starks at 202-502-4059 or <a href="restarks@fjc.gov">rstarks@fjc.gov</a>. If you have any questions about the program in general, please contact Brenda Baldwin-White at 202-502-4112 or <a href="Bbaldwin-white@fjc.gov">Bbaldwin-white@fjc.gov</a>.

### **Program Description**

## Court Web: Ethics for Federal Law Clerks and Other Judicial Employees

September 28, 2022 – 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. ET

Host Brenda Baldwin-White, Senior Judicial Education Attorney, talks with Judge Jennifer W. Elrod of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, and Chair, U.S. Judicial Conference Committee on Codes of Conduct, Judge Henry E. Autrey of the Eastern District of Missouri, and Robert Deyling, Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, about a series of matters related to judicial employee ethics, including: (1) the rules regarding confidentiality (and how they relate to workplace misconduct); (2) judicial employee conflicts of interest; (3) judicial employees and outside activities, such as civic organizations, political activity, social media, and more; (4) gifts; and (5) career plans and pursuing future employment. The discussion also reviews how to obtain ethics guidance, as well as how to spot ethical issues that are less intuitive than one might think.

**Faculty:** Judge Jennifer W. Elrod, Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, and Chair, U.S. Judicial Conference Committee on Codes of Conduct; Judge Henry E. Autrey, Eastern District of Missouri; and Robert Deyling, Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts.

### Faculty Biographical Information

Judge Henry E. Autrey: Eastern District of Missouri

**Federal Judicial Service:** Judge, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri Nominated by George W. Bush on March 21, 2002, to a seat vacated by George F. Gunn. Confirmed by the Senate on August 1, 2002 and received commission on August 2, 2002.

Education: St. Louis University, B.S., 1974; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1977

**Professional Career:** Assistant circuit attorney, St. Louis, Missouri, 1977-1986; first assistant circuit attorney, 1984-1986; Judge, Circuit Court of Missouri, St. Louis Circuit, 1986-2002; associate circuit judge, 1986-1997; circuit judge, 1997-2002.

Robert Devling: Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts

**Education:** B.A., Stanford University, 1982; J.D., New York University, 1987.

**Professional:** Associate attorney, Crowell & Moring, Washington, DC, 1987-1991; Staff attorney, U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit, 1991-1994; Supreme Court Fellow, 1994-1995; Attorney-Advisor, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, 1995-2004; Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, 2004-present.

**Judge Jennifer W. Elrod:** Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, and Chair, U.S. Judicial Conference Committee on Codes of Conduct

**Federal Judicial Service:** Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit Nominated by George W. Bush on March 29, 2007, to a seat vacated by Patrick E. Higginbotham. Confirmed by the Senate on October 4, 2007 and received commission on October 19, 2007.

Education: Baylor University, B.A., 1988; Harvard Law School, J.D., 1992

**Professional Career:** Law clerk, Hon. Sim Lake, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas, 1992-1994; Private practice, Houston, Texas, 1994-2002; Adjunct faculty, University of Houston Law Center, 1995; Judge, Harris County [Texas] One Hundred and Ninetieth District Court, 2002-2007.

### UNIFORM APPLICATION FOR ACCREDITATION OF CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

To 1.	the state of:  Sponsoring organization:  Name: Federal Judicial Center  Address: Education Division (ED)  One Columbus Circle, NE	STATE ACCREDITATION OFFICE NOTICE OF DECISION Course No. (To be completed by the state accreditation office and returned to applicant)	
	Washington, DC 20002-8003 Telephone: 202-502-4059 Fax: 202-502-4299	The following action has been taken on this application:  RETURNED for more information.	
2.	Email: rstarks@fjc.gov  Title of educational activity: Court Web: Ethics for Federa  Clerks and Other Judicial Employees	Please complete each item on the form indicated by the number(s) circled below: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	
3.	Date(s) and location(s): <b>September 28, 2022 (being record future viewing)</b>	Including Ethics credits	
4.	Registration fee: - 0 -	□ DENIED Reference □ SEE ATTACHED MATERIALS.	
5.	Writing surface available? ● Yes ○ No		
6.	. Delivery Method(s): ☐ faculty in room with participants; ☐ telephone to broadcast site; ☐ interactive video; ☐ webinar; ☐ audiotape presentation; ☐ streaming video ☐ interactive computer/Internet; ☐ discussion leader present		
7.	Type of Law code(s): 1.; 2. (Optional); 3. (Optional) Difficulty Level: ○ Beginner; ○ Intermediate; ● A	Advanced	
8.	Advertised to: Lawyers; Clients; Southers (sp	pecify): Federal Judges and Attorneys	
9.	List any admission restrictions:		
10.	<ul> <li>"In-house activity" requirement (see local rules to determine applicability):</li> <li>○ open/publicized to outside lawyers ○ outside lawyers are 0% of faculty</li> </ul>		
11.	Method of evaluation: $\square$ participant critique; $\square$ indepote other:	ependent evaluator;   none;	
12.	Description of materials to be distributed: total pages; Distributed: O before program; O at program;	loose-leaf O bound other: Online	
13.	REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS to this application:  a. time schedule (brochure, course outline, course description)  b. table of contents or equivalent  c. faculty name(s) and credentials (if not in brochure or description)  d. complete set of materials (only in states where required)  e. fees (only in states where required)  \$0.00	14. Total minutes of instruction, not including breaks, meals or introductions: General (non-ethics): 0 Ethics (minutes): 60 Substance Abuse: 0 Total: 60 Other: 0	
15.	Approval by other states: Granted by: California Denied by:		
16.	Submitted by: ○ employee of sponsor/provider; ● indiv	vidual lawyer	
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Signa	ature Date	Phone and Fax (if different than above)	
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