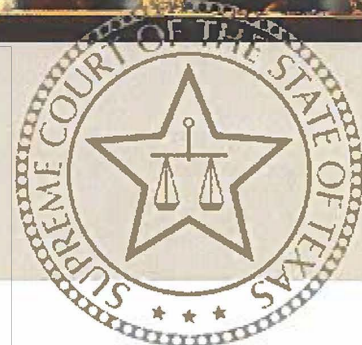




Judicial Staff Attorney for Justice James P. Sullivan



General Description

The staff attorney position is one of the most important and rewarding at the Court. Justice Sullivan's staff attorney is his chief of staff and lead attorney; he or she will supervise the law clerks and help manage the work of the chambers.

Requirements of the Job

- Play a significant role in preparing opinion drafts and memoranda to the Court
- Supervise chambers law clerks and interns in their assignments to ensure timely and high-quality work product
- Advise the Justice on pending legal and administrative matters
- Research and write about the law at a high level
- The staff attorney may be asked to assist other Justices or the Court generally on cases or projects as needed

Experience and Education

The staff attorney must have excellent legal research and writing skills, a minimum of 3 years of relevant legal experience, and significant familiarity with appellate procedure. Law journal or equivalent writing experience and previous experience as a law clerk or staff attorney are preferred. Texas law license required.

Annual Salary: \$163,607

Start Date: September 1, 2026

Note: Those who have previously applied for this position need not resubmit their application materials, but are welcome to update with any new information.

Send a State of Texas employment application, resume, writing sample, references, and law school transcript to Sullivan.Apps@txcourts.gov. If you do not receive confirmation of receipt of the application within two business days, please send a second email to that address, without any attachments, asking for confirmation. If necessary, an alternative way to receive the materials can be arranged.

[A State of Texas employment application can be accessed here.](#)

The Supreme Court of Texas is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by state or federal law.

Note: The following Military Occupation Specialty (MOS) codes are generally applicable to this position: 27A, 250X, 4402, 51JX, LGLIO. [Additional Military Crosswalk information can be accessed here.](#)