Administrative Office of
The Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia
Position Announcement

15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - HARRISON COUNTY
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Position open until filled.

The Position
The Administrative Office of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia has an immediate
professional opportunity for a Probation Officer in Clarksburg, West Virginia. The position reports
directly to the Chief Probation Officer as part of the local Judicial Administrative Staff.

PROBATION OFFICER
Salary Commensurate with Experience and Education.

Position Purpose: Under the direction of the Chief Probation Officer, the Probation Officer will be
responsible for conducting investigations and preparing reports to assist the Judge in sentencing
and making recommendations regarding probationers failing to comply with their probation. This
position will supervise and counsel probationers and ensure that all conditions of probation are
met. This position may also require intensive supervision work of treatment court participants
and/or sexual offenders.

Minimum Qualifications: The successful candidate must possess a bachelor’s degree in criminal
justice, psychology, counseling, corrections, social work, or a related social science field.
Prerequisites include working knowledge of principles of probation work, related court procedures,
state laws, rules, substance abuse trends/treatment, and cases affecting probation work. Analytical
and investigative skills, and the ability/knowledge to navigate community service resources
required. Communication skills (oral, written) are essential, including conducting presentations.
The position requires significant interaction with judicial personnel. Excellent interpersonal skills
are essential. Travel throughout West Virginia is an ongoing requirement, and as such, the
successful candidate must possess a valid driver’s license.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities include:

- Conducts drug screenings.
- Prepares pre-sentence reports.
- Attends court hearings.
- Monitors offenders sentenced to probation or supervised release.
- Conducts field supervision.
- Officers also work closely with community agencies such as adult day report centers, youth
  reporting centers, schools, substance abuse facilities, local community health centers,
  community service work providers, the Department of Health and Human Resources, other
court services and other state agencies in order to link services for persons under probation
officers’ supervision.
Criminal Background Check and Drug Screen: Successful candidates must submit to criminal background check and a drug screen.

Compensation and Benefits include:
- Competitive salary based on experience and qualifications,
- Medical Insurance,
- Optional Flexible Benefits Coverage (dental, vision, disability, and excess medical),
- Life insurance,
- Defined benefit pension plan,
- Section 457 deferred compensation plan, 12 paid holidays, and
- Annual and sick leave.

West Virginia Courts
West Virginia has a Unified Court System, under which all state courts, including the Intermediate Court of Appeals, Circuit Courts, Magistrate Courts, and Family Courts, are supervised, and administered by the Supreme Court of Appeals. The Supreme Court of Appeals and its Administrative Office are in Charleston and housed in the State Capitol Complex. More information about West Virginia’s Courts can be found on our website at www.courtswv.gov.

Equal Opportunity in Employment
It is the policy of the West Virginia judiciary to provide equal opportunity in employment for all persons, and to recruit, select, train, promote, retain, and discipline without regard to race, color, sex, age, disability, religion, sexual orientation, or national origin. Further, it is the policy of the West Virginia judiciary to maintain a professional workplace in which individuals are accorded respect, and an environment free of harassment, including verbal or physical conduct that creates an intimidating or hostile environment for any individual on any prohibited basis. As an employer with an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Plan, the Court complies with government regulations and related Equal Employment Responsibilities where applicable.

Application Process
To apply for this position, please direct the completed Court Employment Application (available on Court website), writing sample, along with a letter of interest highlighting applicable experience, and a resume, including references, to:

Chief Probation Officer Michael Burnside
Harrison County Courthouse
301 West Main Street, Room 204
Clarksburg, WV 26301

Thank you for your interest in employment with the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia.