



**APPLICATIONS SOUGHT FOR APPOINTMENT AS A LAWYER
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NINTH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL CONFERENCE**

The Federal Bar Association for the Eastern District of Washington is accepting applications for Lawyer Representatives to the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference. Lawyer Representatives are appointed to serve a three-year term by the Judges of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington. Past Lawyer Representatives find this to be a rewarding and fulfilling professional experience. Attorneys admitted to practice in this District are encouraged to apply.

During their term of Service, Lawyer Representatives attend the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, which is traditionally held in the summer. Representatives are also eligible to participate in various Ninth Circuit and District Court Liaison activities and committees. There is an opportunity as well for those representatives who are elected by their peers to serve on the Lawyer Representatives Coordinating Committee (LRCC) for the Circuit and participate in at least two additional meetings outside the District, such as the Conference Executive Committee, Chief District Judges Annual Meeting, or the Chief Bankruptcy Judges Annual meeting. This link provides more information about the role of a Ninth Circuit Lawyer Representative:
<http://www.ce9.uscourts.gov/committees/lrcc/>

Locally, Lawyer Representatives serve as voting members of the Board of the Federal Bar Association for the Eastern District of Washington and help plan and implement various FBA-sponsored activities, including the annual District Conference and CLE. Expenses, such as travel, are partially reimbursed per the Court's policy which may be reviewed at:
<http://www.waed.uscourts.gov/content/lawyer-representative-reimbursement-policy>

There are five lawyer representatives from the Eastern District of Washington serving staggered terms. Currently there are numerous open positions. Geographic diversity within the District is encouraged and lawyer representatives are appointed from throughout the District. The Court desires to balance the selection between those with Civil, Criminal and Bankruptcy practices.

Letters of application should be submitted by **Friday, September 19, 2014**, to:

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Your letter should include background information about yourself, your thoughts regarding improving the administration of justice within the District and the Circuit as well as the ability to commit the time necessary to fulfill the duties of this appointment. Applications will be screened. Appointment to the position will be made by the Judges of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington. The person appointed will be notified by the Court.