

**NOTICE OF VACANCY
FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER
MIDDLE AND WESTERN DISTRICTS OF LOUISIANA**

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit seeks applications from all highly qualified candidates for appointment as the Federal Public Defender for the Middle and Western Districts of Louisiana. The office is headquartered in Lafayette, Louisiana. Regular overnight travel throughout the district is required. The terms of appointment and reappointment are four years.

The selection process will be confidential and competitive. Only those persons with a law degree whose character, experience, ability, and integrity qualify them to serve in the Judicial Branch should apply. The Judiciary is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Interested candidates should download the selection procedures and an application form available below. Completed applications (five collated copies) should be mailed to Lorie A. Robinson, Circuit Executive, U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit, 600 Camp Street, Room 100, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130. Additionally, a PDF version of the completed application form should be emailed to mw-lafpd@ca5.uscourts.gov. **DEADLINE FOR FILING COMPLETED APPLICATIONS IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025.**

APPLICANTS FOR THIS POSITION
DO NOT NEED TO FILL OUT A FORM AO78

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