Jamal Brooks

Appellate Law Clerk

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Summary

Appellate law clerk at a state intermediate court of appeals since 2025, after a one-year trial court clerkship. Reviews records and briefs in about 110 appeals a year, writes bench memos with recommended dispositions and drafts opinions on standards of review and harmless error. Admitted to the State Bar of Georgia.

Experience

Appellate Law Clerk

State Court of Appeals — Atlanta, GA — 09/2025 - Present

Clerk to one judge on a three-judge panel court.

- Review appellate records and briefs in about **110** civil and criminal appeals a year, with a bench memo for each.
- Draft 30+ opinions on standards of review, preservation of error and harmless error for the judge's edits.
- Build oral argument outlines and question lists for 4 panel sessions a month.
- Verify every record cite and Bluebook citation in opinion drafts before circulation to the panel.

Judicial Law Clerk

State Superior Court — Decatur, GA — 08/2024 - 08/2025

One-year clerkship on a general civil and felony docket.

- Researched and drafted orders on **200** civil and criminal motions using Westlaw.
- Drafted jury charges and verdict forms for 14 jury trials.
- Managed the judge's calendar of hearings and status conferences for 450 pending cases.
- Screened 60+ proposed consent orders and default judgments for compliance with Georgia court rules.

Education

Juris Doctor (J.D.)

Emory University School of Law

Law

Atlanta, GA

05/2024

Skills

Appellate Procedure	Standards of Review	Record Review	Bench Memos
Opinion Drafting	Oral Argument Preparation	Legal Research	Legal Writing
Westlaw	Bluebook Citation		

Certificates

Admission to the State Bar of Georgia

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10/2024