

David Cameron Hicks Scholars Program

The Chambers of Judge Timothy M. Reif invites interested internship applicants to indicate in their cover letters whether they wish to participate in the David Cameron Hicks Scholars Program.

The program is named in honor of Dave Hicks who left an indelible impression on each of us who was fortunate enough to work with him during his tenure as an intern in chambers in the Summer of 2020. Dave valued and demonstrated intellectual excellence. He was curious, warm and caring toward others. Dave had an infectious sense of humor.

Through the program, the Chambers of Judge Reif aspires to honor Dave's exceptional life and legacy by inviting scholars to delve into a topic in U.S.–China economic relations — an area of particular interest to Dave. Dave lived in Shanghai for more than two years between his graduation from Gordon College and his matriculation at both the Harvard Law School and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

With the guidance of Judge Reif and his law clerks, Hicks Scholars will select a topic, research and prepare a paper or PowerPoint, and orally present their findings at the conclusion of the program. Through this experience, scholars will develop a more comprehensive understanding of the U.S.–China economic relationship and also have the opportunity to develop further their research and oral presentation skills. In addition, scholars will be encouraged to collaborate with and rely on their colleagues for insight and feedback as they prepare their presentations, much as Dave unfailingly demonstrated his commitment to working with and helping others. Scholars will receive a recognition from chambers upon successful completion of the program.

The responsibilities and experiences of Hicks Scholars will otherwise remain the same as those of other interns in chambers. Any questions regarding the program may be directed to TMR_Applicants@cit.uscourts.gov.