

Mr. Williams Goes to Washington



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The United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee is pleased to announce that the Court's student intern Willie Williams III has been selected as a Congressional intern in College to Congress' highly competitive summer cohort. Willie is one of only ten interns selected out of nearly 800 applicants and will be spending the summer on Capitol Hill working in a Congressional office, supporting legislative efforts, and preparing for a career in public service.

Willie joined the Court in June 2021 as a student intern through the Administrative Office's Model Intern Diversity Pilot Program, a program built on a foundation of diversity and innovation and existing to expose, develop and place talented youth in the courts while training them to be champions of diversity and inclusion. When Willie completes his year-long internship with the Court in May 2022, he will have completed rotations in Judge Lipman's Chambers, Magistrate Judge Claxton's Chambers, the U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services Department, the Federal Defender's Office, and the U.S. Clerk of Court's Office.

Willie is a first-generation college student and graduate, having attended and graduated from the University of Memphis in December 2021, majoring in Economics and Political Science and minoring in International Business, Legal Thought and History. While at the University of Memphis, Willie demonstrated his dedication to the community through his leadership positions as a Tiger Elite Student Ambassador, a FROSH Fusion Counselor, and a FLITE Camp Counselor, and through his service on the Henry Clay Center for Statesmanship's College Student Congress, the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature, the University

Undergraduate Council, the Student Activities Council, the University of Memphis College Democrats, and the University of Memphis Campus-Wide Committee.

Please join us in congratulating Willie on his incredible achievement.