



# Court staff categories in the EU

## The Netherlands

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### DESCRIPTION OF CATEGORIES OF COURT STAFF in The Netherlands

#### 1. Court staff category / profession

<b>Name of Court Staff Category</b>	In Dutch: <b>Juridisch</b> medewerker
	In English: <b>Clerk of the court</b>
<b>Legal basis / regulatory documents</b>	<a href="#">Wet op de rechterlijke organisatie, artikel 14</a>

#### 2. Access to the category / profession

<b>Main Access conditions</b>	<p>Qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher education degree in law</li> <li>• Higher education master in law</li> </ul> <p><u>Aspects of EU law:</u> are compulsory</p>
<b>Access process</b>	<p>Recruitment procedure: takes place at court level</p> <p>Recruitment process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selection through written application</li> <li>• Practical tests (testing practical skills)</li> </ul>
<b>Alternative access routes</b>	Transfer routes from other professions: <b>YES</b>

### 3. Responsibilities / Duties

<b>General responsibilities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specific competences regarding judicial decisions</li> <li>• Procedures</li> <li>• Assistance to the judiciary in drafting decisions</li> </ul> <p>More information can be found under the following link:  <a href="http://www.rechtspraak.nl/Werken-bij/gerechtsambtenaar-worden/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.rechtspraak.nl/Werken-bij/gerechtsambtenaar-worden/Pages/default.aspx</a></p> <p>Court clerks play an important role in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enforcement of court decisions</li> <li>• Human rights</li> <li>• Access to justice</li> <li>• Rights of the victim</li> <li>• Rights of the child</li> <li>• Administrative law and procedures</li> <li>• Competition law and procedures</li> <li>• Environmental law and procedures</li> <li>• Assistance to judges and/or public prosecutors</li> </ul>
<b>Role in process with EU law aspects</b>	<p><u>Aspects of EU law</u>: are becoming more important as more legislative instruments are being adopted</p>

### 4. Organisation of the category / profession

<b>Organising Structure</b>	<p><a href="#">Raad voor de rechtspraak</a> and <a href="#">Hoge Raad der Nederlanden</a> in the Hague</p>						
<b>Training providers</b>							
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<b>Professional organisation(s)</b>	N/A						

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