Political Campaign Internship
Brent Boncher for 63rd District Judge
Kent County, Michigan

Position Overview
The campaign to elect Brent Boncher for 63rd District Judge for Kent County is seeking political science major/minors that are enthusiastic and hardworking for the summer of 2014. The incumbent, Judge Steven R. Servaas, is retiring from the position after 41 years of service. This is a non-partisan position. The 63rd District is comprised of cities and townships north of 4 mile road in Kent County including Algoma, Alpine, Cannon, Courtland, Grattan, Oakfield, Nelson, Plainfield, Rockford, Sparta, Spencer, Solon and Tyrone.

What is a District Court Judge?
The District Court is a trial court of limited jurisdiction. The District Court has exclusive jurisdiction over the following types of cases:

* Civil suits involving $25,000 or less
* Landlord/tenant disputes, such as eviction proceedings
* Small Claims (civil suits involving $5,000 or less)
* Land contract forfeitures
* Civil infractions/Traffic Violations
* Adult criminal misdemeanor offenses punishable by up to one year’s imprisonment

Position Benefits & Responsibilities
Interns will work closely and directly with the candidate and Campaign Manager to manage needs of the campaign. This is a rewarding opportunity that will give students valuable, hands-on, political experience that will develop networking abilities as well as produce long-lasting professional relationships. Working on an active campaign will complement academic political studies and develop the creative, practical, and organizational skills of any student studying and planning to become involved in the American political system in the future.

Day to day responsibilities will include activities such as field work, communications with voters, campaign strategy, consultations with the candidate, and other activities depending on students’ strengths and skills. Potential students should be dependable, able to organize information, have computer skills, and be available throughout the summer. The candidate is willing to work around scheduling obstacles. The primary election is August 5, 2014 and two candidates will move on to the November 4, 2014 election. This internship is technically an unpaid opportunity to receive credit for internship experience, but a stipend will be awarded to students’ at the end of the internship. To Apply Any interested candidates should submit a resume to mlboncher@hotmail.com or contact 616-318-6363.