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The Road to the Supreme Court Started at Cedarville University

CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- People travel to Washington, D.C. because of its historical value. Audrey Beck, will travel to the nation's capital in a few weeks to continue her career.

Beck, who graduated from Cedarville University in 2014, will begin clerking for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh in July. Beck earned her law degree from the University of Notre Dame in 2017.

As a law clerk, Beck will assist researching legal issues related to cases currently being considered by the court.

"I wanted to clerk when I understood how much clerks learn," explained Beck. "I have grown so much from watching lawyers litigate cases, assisting a judge as he or she decides them and gaining exposure to a number of areas of law along the way."

While at Cedarville, Beck was encouraged to spend a year in the nation's capital, which was instrumental in her decision to attend law school. According to Beck, Cedarville guest speakers and faculty members were tremendously helpful to her in choosing the University of Notre Dame Law School.

Since then, she has clerked for Judge Joan Larsen and Judge Jeffrey Sutton, both from the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Both of these experiences prepared Beck for her move to Washington, D.C., by teaching her the importance of precision with language.

"Appeals end in a written decision that explains the answer to a legal problem," explained Beck. "As important as the outcome of the current case is, explaining that outcome properly is critical because the court will look to that reasoning in future cases posing the same or similar issues. Words are everything, and I have been fortunate to work for incredibly careful judges."

Beck is excited to take what she has learned at the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals to continue her career at the Supreme Court.

"To clerk at the Supreme Court, and for Justice Kavanaugh, is a tremendous privilege," said Beck. "To say I am excited is obvious. To say I am grateful does not begin to cover it."

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,193 undergraduate, graduate and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates,

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