



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit

## Court Appointed / Conflict Attorney Application – FY 2018-2019

Please provide the following information as part of the application process to be on the Registry for Court Appointed/Conflict Attorneys. This application must be completed in its entirety if you wish to be considered for appointment as a court appointed/conflict attorney in the Second Judicial Circuit. Attach current Resume and proof of CLE, together with list of cases previously tried, which qualify you for appointment for your chosen Registry lists.

### Applicant Information

\*Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ FL Bar #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

*\*As it appears on your Florida Bar Membership*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

\_\_\_\_\_

City State ZIP Code

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please Check the Following That Apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I am a member in good standing with the Florida Bar.   | <input type="checkbox"/> I will notify the Chief Judge of any formal complaint filed by The Florida Bar against me; any non confidential consent agreements entered into between myself and The Florida Bar; and any claim of ineffective assistance of counsel that has been set for a hearing before a judge or magistrate. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have read the qualifications attached to this application and I am qualified to be a court appointed/conflict attorney for the cases I have checked on this application. | <input type="checkbox"/> I am familiar with the practice and procedure of the Second Judicial Circuit, and I will adhere to any applicable Administrative Orders of the Second Judicial Circuit.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I am familiar with the Attorney Fees, Cost and Expenses set by the Florida Legislature.  | <input type="checkbox"/> I will cooperate fully with and abide by the determinations of The Performance Review Committee with respect to my performance.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I will not solicit compensation from the defendant or other client that I am appointed to represent.   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prior to accepting appointments, I agree to enter into a Contract For Services with the Justice Administrative Commission and to comply with the terms and conditions of such contract.</b>   |

### After reviewing the attached qualifications, please check the appropriate block(s) for which you are qualified to serve and are applying to be put on the rotation list effective July 1, 2018

Cases	Franklin	Gadsden	Jefferson	Leon	Liberty	Wakulla
<b>Misdemeanor</b> <small>(Misdemeanor/Criminal Traffic, Local Ordinance)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Delinquency</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Felony</b>						
<small><sup>1st</sup> Degree Felony, Life, and PBL</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<small>2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Felony</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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<b>Capital</b>						
<i>Capital 1<sup>st</sup> Degree</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Capital 2<sup>nd</sup> Chair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Post Convictions</b>						
<i>Capital</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Non-Capital</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Jimmy Ryce</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<b>Appeals</b>						
<i>Capital</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Non-Capital Felony</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>County to Circuit</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Jimmy Ryce</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Delinquency</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Dependency</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>3.800 / 3.850 (post conviction)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Dependency</b>						
<i>Attorney for Parent</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Attorney ad Litem for Child a.k.a. Children's Attorney" or "Attorney for the Child": <u>includes Children with Special Needs (CSN)</u></i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Civil</b>						
<i>Adult Protective Service</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Baker Act</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Marchman Act</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Probate / Guardianship</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Qualifications for Court Appointed/Conflict Private Counsel**

**Criminal Cases**

1. Be a member in good standing of The Florida Bar.
2. Have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal law.
3. Meet the following experience requirements:
  - a) In misdemeanor cases the attorney shall have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least one year and an experienced and active trial practitioner with no fewer than three state or federal jury or non-jury trials.
  - b) In second and third degree felony cases the attorney shall have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least two years and an experienced and active trial practitioner with no fewer than seven state or federal jury or non-jury trials.
  - c) In (first degree) life felony cases, PBL, 3.850, capital sexual battery cases and Jimmy Ryce cases, the attorney shall have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least five years and an experienced and active trial practitioner with no fewer than ten state or federal jury trials.
  - d) In capital death penalty cases the attorney shall comply with rule 3.112(f-g), Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure (Lead and Second Chair).

**Criminal Appellate Cases**

1. Be a member in good standing of The Florida Bar.
2. Have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal law.
3. Meet the following experience requirements:
  - a) In misdemeanor and felony third degree appeals shall have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least two years, an experienced and active trial or appellate practitioner in the field of criminal law or have prior experience in the appeal of at least three criminal cases.
  - b) In non-capital felony appeals and Jimmy Ryce cases shall have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least three years, an experienced and active practitioner in the field of appellate criminal law or have experience in the appeal of at least five criminal cases.
  - c) In capital death penalty appeals the attorney shall comply with rule 3.112(h), Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure.

**Juvenile**

In juvenile cases the attorney shall have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least one year and an experienced and active trial practitioner with no fewer than three delinquency dispositions or three state or federal jury or non-jury trials.

**Dependency Cases**

1. Be a member in good standing of The Florida Bar.
2. Meet the following experience requirements:
  - a) In dependency cases the attorney shall have observed a total of thirty hours of hearings which shall include six shelter hearings, three dependency hearings and one termination of parental rights hearing and attend annually, at least three hours of continuing legal education at the Dependency Court

Improvement Project Conference, or an equivalent.

- b) In termination of parental rights cases the attorney shall have at least ten dependency trials, or one year of dependency experience.
- c) In appellate cases the attorney shall have at least three years experience in dependency or appellate law and must have been lead counsel in a minimum of three contested dependency trials and three contested termination of parental right trials or demonstrate knowledge through experience in the practice of family law.

**Children with Special Needs**

- 1. Met the minimum requirements for court-appointed counsel established by the Chief Judge in each circuit in which I seek to participate in the registry including any local requirements for court-appointed attorneys appointed to represent children in dependency cases.
- 2. (A) Have at least one (1) year of experience representing children in dependency cases within the last five (5) years; or  
(B) Currently supervised by an attorney that has at least one (1) year of experience representing children in dependency cases; or  
(C) Have observed at least thirty (30) hours of hearings in dependency cases including at least one (1) shelter hearing, one (1) dependency adjudicatory hearing, one (1) judicial review hearing, one (1) hearing pursuant to either rule 8.350 or 8.355, Fla R. Juv.P. and one (1) termination of parental rights trial.
- 3. Within the last two (2) years, attended at least ten (10) hours of continuing legal education devoted to the legal needs of children, at least five (5) hours of which were devoted to representation of children with special needs or disabilities and at least one (1) hour of which was devoted to ethics related to the representation of children, or if not, will complete the requisite CLE requirements within 3 months of being placed on the CSN registry.
- 4. Reviewed the Florida Guidelines for Practice of Lawyers Who Represent Children in Abuse and Neglect cases.

**Guardianship and Other Civil Appointments**

- 1. Member of The Florida Bar; and
- 2. Active in the practice of law for at least two years.
- 3. Attorney in guardianship cases shall, at a minimum, have completed the required course instruction and training covering the legal duties and responsibilities of a guardian, the rights of a ward, the availability of local resources to aid a ward, and the preparation of habilitation plans and annual guardianship reports, including accountings.

**Disclaimer and Signature**

*I certify that the answers given herein are true and complete. I understand that false or misleading information given in my application or omission of information requested will be grounds for refusal of appointment or dismissal.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ FL Bar #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ALL APPOINTMENTS TO THE REGISTRY ARE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF JUDGE, ON RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE.

**Your completed application and resume must be received in the Court Administrator's office no later than Friday, April 27, 2018 by 5:00pm to be considered for the "registry" starting July 1, 2018.**

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301 S. Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32301