



Twentieth Judicial Circuit Application for the Chief Judge's Registry of Attorneys for Court Appointment



Name of Attorney: _____

Florida Bar Number: _____

Address/Email: _____

Phone/Fax/Cell: _____

PLEASE CAREFULLY CONSIDER AND SELECT THE CATEGORIES AND COUNTIES IN WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE. ADDITIONS OR REMOVALS FROM ANY CATEGORY OR COUNTY CAN ONLY BE ACCOMPLISHED BY THE SUBMISSION OF AN AMENDED APPLICATION WITH A LETTER OF EXPLANATION TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CHIEF JUDGE.

I. Please read, complete, and initial the following:

- I am a member in good standing with the Florida Bar; admitted on the following date: _____.
- I meet the minimum requirements established by the chief judge and established in general law for each case category.
- I am available to represent indigent defendants in cases requiring court appointment of private counsel.
- I have entered into or will enter into a contract for services with the Justice Administrative Commission.
- I am willing to abide by the terms of the Justice Administrative Commission's contract for services.
- I will notify the pertinent clerk of the court and the Justice Administrative Commission of any change in my status.
- I will provide proof of malpractice insurance at the time this application is submitted, and continue to maintain coverage thereafter.
- I will inform the Office of the Chief Judge of any past or present 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 that has been set for a hearing before a judge or magistrate.
- I will serve my court-appointed client in a manner meeting the requirements of the Florida Bar Rules of Professional Conduct.
- I will not solicit compensation from the client, or any relation to the client, that I am appointed to represent.

II. Indicate the Categories and Locations that you Agree to be Appointed:

	Char	Collier	Glades	Hendry	Lee
1) Misdemeanor, Criminal Traffic, Violation of Probation - Misdemeanor (includes VOCC), Violation of Probation - Misdemeanor (includes VOCC)(CT), Contempt Proceedings, and Extradition cases					
2) Juvenile Delinquency - 1st Degree Felony, Juvenile Delinquency - 2nd Degree Felony, Juvenile Delinquency - 3rd Degree Felony, Juvenile Delinquency - Felony Life, Juvenile Delinquency - Misdemeanor and Violation of Probation- Juvenile Delinquency (includes VOCC)					
3) Felony - 3rd Degree, Violation of Probation - Felony (includes VOCC) and Rules 3.850 and 3.800 at trial and appellate level (also includes postconviction petitions for habeas corpus and petitions for belated appeal)					
4) Felony - 2nd Degree, Violation of Probation - Felony (includes VOCC) and Rules 3.850 and 3.800 at trial and appellate level (also includes postconviction petitions for habeas corpus and petitions for belated appeal)					
5) Felony - Punishable by Life, Felony - Punishable by Life - RICO, Felony - 1st Degree, Felony - 1st Degree - RICO, Violation of Probation - Felony (includes VOCC) and Rules 3.850 and 3.800 at trial and appellate level (also includes postconviction petitions for habeas corpus and petitions for belated appeal)					
6) 1st Degree Murder, Capital Sexual Battery, Capital (Non-Death other than Capital Sexual Battery) and Rules 3.850 and 3.800 at trial and appellate level (also includes postconviction petitions for habeas corpus and petitions for belated appeal)					
7) Juvenile Delinquency Appeals, Misdemeanor Appeals and Misdemeanor Appeals (CT)					
8) Felony Appeals					
9) Capital Appeals					
10) Dependency and CINS/FINS - Ch. 984, F.S.					
11) Termination of Parental Rights - Ch 39, F.S. and TPR (Ch. 63, F.S.)					
12) Dependency Appeals and TPR Appeals					
13) Guardianship - Ch. 744, F.S., Guardianship - Emergency Ch. 744, F.S., Baker/Mental Health - Ch. 394, F.S., Marchman Act/Substance Abuse - Ch. 397, F.S., Emancipation - Section 743.015, F.S., Parental Notification of Abortion Act, Adult Protective Services - Ch. 415, F.S., Developmentally Disabled Adult - Ch 393, F.S., Admission of Inmate to Mental Health Facility, Medical Procedures- Section 394.459(3), F.S., Tuberculosis - Ch. 392, F.S., STD - Ch. 384 F.S., and Sexual Violent Predator					
14) Civil Appeals and Sexual Violent Predator Appeals					
15) Children with Certain Special Needs Pursuant to s. 39.01305, F.S.					

III. Qualifications - please read and initial the requirements relevant to the categories in which you seek appointment:

1) Misdemeanor, Criminal Traffic, Violation of Probation - Misdemeanor (includes VOCC), Violation of Probation - Misdemeanor (includes VOCC)(CT), Contempt Proceedings, and Extradition cases

I have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal law.

I 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.

2) Criminal Juvenile Delinquency - 1st Degree Felony, Juvenile Delinquency - 2nd Degree Felony, Juvenile Delinquency - 3rd Degree Felony, Juvenile Delinquency - Felony Life, Juvenile Delinquency - Misdemeanor and Violation of Probation- Juvenile Delinquency (includes VOCC)

I have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal law.

I 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.

3) Felony - 3rd Degree, Violation of Probation - Felony (includes VOCC) and Rules 3.850 and 3.800 at trial and appellate level (also includes postconviction petitions for habeas corpus and petitions for belated appeal)

I have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal law.

I have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least two years and an experienced and active trial practitioner with no fewer than three state or federal jury trials.

4) Felony - 2nd Degree, Violation of Probation - Felony (includes VOCC) and Rules 3.850 and 3.800 at trial and appellate level (also includes postconviction petitions for habeas corpus and petitions for belated appeal)

I have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal law.

I 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 trials.

5) Felony - Punishable by Life, Felony - Punishable by Life - RICO, Felony - 1st Degree, Felony - 1st Degree - RICO, Violation of Probation - Felony (includes VOCC) and Rules 3.850 and 3.800 at trial and appellate level (also includes postconviction petitions for habeas corpus and petitions for belated appeal)

I have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal law.

I 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.

6) 1st Degree Murder, Capital Sexual Battery, Capital (Non-Death other than Capital Sexual Battery) and Rules 3.850 and 3.800 at trial and appellate level (also includes postconviction petitions for habeas corpus and petitions for belated appeal)

I am seeking to serve as Lead Counsel and meet the requirements of Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.112(f)

I am seeking to serve as Co-counsel and meet the requirements of Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.112(g)

7) Juvenile Delinquency Appeals, Misdemeanor Appeals and Misdemeanor Appeals (CT)

I have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal and/or appellate law.

I have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least two years and 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.

8) Felony Appeals

I have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to criminal and/or appellate law.

I have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least three years and an experienced and active practitioner in the field of appellate criminal law or have experience in the appeal of at least five criminal cases.

9) Capital Appeals

I meet the requirements of Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.112(h).

10) Dependency and CINS/FINS - Ch. 984, F.S.

I have previously handled 10 dependency cases from arraignment to closure.

11) Termination of Parental Rights - Ch 39, F.S. and TPR (Ch. 63, F.S.)

I have at least three years experience in dependency law and have been lead counsel in a minimum of six contested dependency trials and three contested termination of parental rights trials.

12) Dependency Appeals and TPR Appeals

I have at least three years experience in dependency or appellate law and 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.

13) Guardianship - Ch. 744, F.S., Guardianship - Emergency Ch. 744, F.S., Baker/Mental Health - Ch. 394, F.S., Marchman Act/Substance Abuse - Ch. 397, F.S., Emancipation - Section 743.015, F.S., Parental Notification of Abortion Act, Adult Protective Services - Ch. 415, F.S., Developmentally Disabled Adult - Ch 393, F.S., Admission of Inmate to Mental Health Facility, Medical Procedures- Section 394.459(3), F.S., Tuberculosis - Ch. 392, F.S., STD - Ch. 384 F.S., and Sexual Violent Predator

I have been an experienced and active trial practitioner who has represented clients in no fewer than fifteen guardianship proceedings, and attend annually at least three hours of continuing legal education in guardianship law.

14) Civil Appeals and Sexual Violent Predator Appeals

I have at least three years experience in guardianship or appellate law and have been an experienced and active appellate practitioner who has represented clients in no fewer than five appeals, and annually attend at least three hours of continuing education in guardianship law.

15) Children with Certain Special Needs Pursuant to s. 39.01305, F.S.

I have attended within the previous 12 months a minimum of ten hours of Florida Bar approved continuing legal education devoted to representation of children with special needs or disabilities and/or ethics related to the representation of children.

I have reviewed the Florida Guidelines for Practice for Lawyers Who Represent Children in Abuse and Neglect Cases.

I have previously handled 10 dependency cases from arraignment to closure.

IV. Experience - please provide information regarding relevant trial practice:

Please provide the total number of trial cases handled: _____

Please provide the total number of appellate cases handled: _____

Please list your ten most recent **CRIMINAL TRIALS**:

Case Number	Date of Trial	Jury or Non-Jury	Judge	Disposition
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Please list your ten most recent **CIVIL TRIALS or CASES**:

Case Number	Date of Trial	Judge	Disposition
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Please list your five most recent **APPEALS**:

Case Number	Date of Appeal	Criminal or Civil
1.		
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V. Declaration:

I hereby apply to have my name placed on the registry of court-appointed attorneys. I will accept appointments as set forth above, and I hereby declare that I meet the minimum Qualifications for Court-Appointed Attorneys as adopted by the Chief Judge for the Twentieth Judicial Circuit. I am aware that any **omissions, falsifications, misstatements, or misrepresentations above** may disqualify me from the registry, and may be grounds for removal from the registry at a later date. I understand that submitted applications become a public record. Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing application and that the facts stated in it are true.

Signature

Date: _____

Submit original to: Office of the Chief Judge
1700 Monroe Street
Fort Myers, Florida 33901

And, Fax or E-mail to: Attn: Court Innovations and Program Analysis Dept. - Fax: 239-533-1796; E-mail: efishbeck@ca.cjis20.org

For use by Twentieth Judicial Circuit:

Date Reviewed: _____
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Approved to add to registry
Applicant fails to meet requirements