

**CJA PANEL ATTORNEY PROGRAM
WESTERN DISTRICT OF
KENTUCKY

APPLICATION**

To be completed by attorneys seeking appointments to represent indigent defendants under the Criminal Justice Act (18 U.S.C. 3006A) in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky. For eligibility requirements, please review the Court's CJA Plan at www.kywd.uscourts.gov.

Name: _____ SS# _____
(For Income Tax Purposes)

Firm (if applicable): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone No. () _____ Cell No. () _____

Fax No.: () _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Optional (this section does not have to be completed for your application to be considered):

Please indicate which gender you identify with: Male Female

Please select race/ethnicity you most closely identify: African American American Indian Arab Origin

Asian/Pacific Islander European Hispanic/Latino Multi-Racial Other Ethnic Origin

1. Dates of Admission: (a) State Bar of Kentucky: _____ Bar No. _____
(b) Federal District Court, Western District of Kentucky: _____

2. For which CJA Panel do you wish to be considered: Louisville / Ft.Knox Bowling Green
Owensboro Paducah / Ft. Campbell

3. What is the nature of your current law practice: _____ % Civil _____ % Criminal
_____ % Trial (Criminal) _____ % Appeal (Criminal)
_____ % Adult _____ % Juvenile
_____ % Felony _____ % Misdemeanor

4. List any positions held within the Criminal Justice System:

(a) Served as a Defender: County State Federal From: _____ To: _____

(b) Served as a Prosecutor: County State Federal From: _____ To: _____

(c) Law School Criminal Clinical Experience: From: _____ To: _____
School: _____

(d) Judicial Clerkship: From: _____ To: _____
Judge: _____ Court: _____

(e) Have you ever been a member of a CJA panel in this district or any others? Yes No
If yes, what district(s)? _____

5. Criminal Practice Experience:

(a) As a defense attorney, please provide:

Number of Federal felony criminal case representations: _____ Date/Most Recent Case _____

Number of Federal felony criminal trials: (Jury) _____ (Non-Jury) _____ Date/Most Recent Trial _____

Number of State felony criminal trials: (Jury) _____ (Non-Jury) _____ Date/Most Recent Trial _____

(b) As a prosecutor, please provide:

Number of Federal felony criminal case representations: _____ Date/Most Recent Case _____

Number of Federal felony criminal trials: (Jury) _____ (Non-Jury) _____ Date/Most Recent Trial _____

Number of State felony criminal trials: (Jury) _____ (Non-Jury) _____ Date/Most Recent Trial _____

6. *Federal Civil Practice Experience (explain briefly, numbers & types of cases):* _____

7. *Have you ever been disciplined by the bar of any state or by any court?* Yes No *(If yes, please explain on an attached sheet.)*
8. *During the five years preceding this application, have you been arrested, summoned, charged or convicted of any criminal offense (excluding minor traffic violations)?* Yes No *(If yes, please explain on an attached sheet.)*
9. *List any Federal Judge before whom you have tried a criminal case. If less than three, list up to three State Judges before whom you have tried a case:* _____

10. *List any other Federal Judges before whom you have practiced:* _____

11. *List any seminars or workshops on federal criminal law, procedure, or evidence you have attended in the last year:*

12. *Are you fluent in any foreign language (read/write)? If so, please indicate:* _____

13. *Do you have any specialized legal training or experience? If so, please list (e.g., appellate, immigration, accounting, tax, etc.):* _____

14. *Have you had any experience with lengthy conspiracy trials?* Yes No
15. *Do you have any experience with death penalty cases?* Yes No State Federal
16. *Are you available, on occasion, for on-the-spot arraignments on thirty (30) minutes notice?* Yes No
17. *Would you be willing to handle appeals of cases tried by others or other post-conviction matters, such as Habeas and 2255 Petitions?* Yes No
18. *If appointed to the Panel, do you agree to accept at least two (2) cases per year to remain an active member of the Panel?*
 Yes No
19. *Please provide the names of three (3) defense attorneys who are familiar with your work as co-counsel for a defendant, or as the attorney for a co-defendant:*
 (1) _____
 (2) _____
 (3) _____
20. *If you do not possess the requisite experience described in section VII(C) of the Court's CJA Plan but believe you have equivalent experience, please set forth the details of that experience on an attached sheet.*

I confirm that I possess the necessary experience, litigation skills, and proficiency with the federal sentencing guidelines, the Bail Reform Act, the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and the Federal Rules of Evidence to provide competent representation of a federal criminal defendant. I recognize that acceptance of a criminal assignment means that my representation continues until the matter, including appeal (as governed by the Sixth Circuit's CJA plan provisions concerning representation on appeal), is closed; until substitute counsel has filed a notice of appearance; until an order has been entered allowing or requiring the person represented to proceed pro se; or until the appointment is terminated by court order.. If appointed to the Panel, I personally, and not another member of my firm, will represent my client at all Federal Court proceedings. Further, I agree to annually attend at least 3.0 continuing legal education hours relevant to federal criminal practice and to comply with all other training and continuing legal education requirements set forth in the Western District of Kentucky's CJA Plan. I fully understand that failure to make truthful disclosure of any fact or item of information may result in the denial of my application, and such other action as the court deems appropriate.

Date: _____

 Applicant's Signature

 Type or Print Name