

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 25-10**

**Additions to the Criminal Justice Act Panel of Attorneys
Supersedes Administrative Order 25-02**

WHEREAS, Administrative Order 09-07, issued on June 12, 2009, required the unification and reconstitution of the Criminal Justice Act Panel (“CJA Panel”) of attorneys and directed the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys to receive and evaluate applications; and

WHEREAS, the above Administrative Order also required the re-establishment of the CJA Panel every four years; and

WHEREAS, by Administrative Order 23-03 issued on April 6, 2023¹, the Chief Judge ordered the re-establishment of the CJA Panel and required that all attorneys seeking to become or remain members of the CJA Panel were to file application with the Court; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys submitted its Final Report on its procedures for evaluating applications and the recommended names of attorneys to be appointed to the CJA Panel as Full and Provisional Members were accepted by the Chief Judge pursuant to Administrative Order 24-03; and

WHEREAS, the Committee will continue to review and consider all applications pending on a rolling basis, following its procedures for evaluating applications, and recommending names of attorneys to appointed as provisional and full panel members; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the administration of justice for these recommendations to be implemented at this time.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is by the Court,

ORDERED, that the attached list shall constitute the CJA Panel from this day forward, and attorneys listed are appointed as Full or Provisional Members as set forth in the attached list; and it is further

ORDERED, that absent suspension or removal, and except as otherwise stated hereafter, the attorneys listed are appointed to the CJA Panel for a period of four (4) years², at which time they must submit an application for reappointment, pending the determination of which they may remain CJA Panel members; and it is further

ORDERED, that Provisional Members previously appointed and hereafter listed, shall

¹ The Panel was not re-established in 2022 due to the Coronavirus public health pandemic.

² The next Panel re-establishment is in 2028.

remain in such status until the end of their original two-year term, prior to the expiration of which they must apply to become a Full Member, as set forth hereafter; and it is further

ORDERED, that newly-appointed Provisional Attorneys are appointed for a term not to exceed two years during which they must apply to be a Full Member provided that (1) the attorney represents a defendant in at least two felony jury trials as second chair, and (2) the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys, in consultation with the CJA Panel Advisory Committee, recommends the attorney for appointment as a Full Member; and it is further

ORDERED, that an attorney's membership on the CJA Panel is conditioned upon his or her compliance with all Administrative Orders setting an annual cap for attorney compensation for appointed representation and providing representation in conformance with the Attorney Practice Standards for Criminal Defense Representation previously published; and it is further

ORDERED, that an attorney's membership on the CJA Panel is conditioned upon his or her compliance with all Administrative Orders setting requirements for completion of Continuing Legal Education credits. In addition, attorneys must pick up in Courtroom C10 a minimum of 10 times per year to remain on the Panel; and it is further

ORDERED, that newly-appointed attorneys are eligible to receive Court appointments upon notification by the CJA Panel Advisory Committee to the Chairperson of the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys that the attorney has received the necessary training; and it is further

ORDERED, that from this day forward, and unless otherwise determined to be appropriate, when making appointments of counsel under the Criminal Justice Act, judicial officers of the Superior Court shall appoint **only** attorneys listed on the CJA Panel for new cases entering the Superior Court, return of bench warrants and probation revocation matters, and for existing cases where the judicial officer presiding in the case has entered an order permitting an attorney to withdraw or otherwise removing counsel; and it is further

ORDERED, that absent any further order from the judicial officer presiding in a given case, counsel appointed prior to this date to represent a client pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act shall continue with such representation and shall be compensated for such representation pursuant to the Act; and it is further

ORDERED, that with respect to new cases or other matters that may arise for an indigent defendant already represented in another matter under the Criminal Justice Act by a non-Panel attorney, an attorney from the CJA Panel shall be appointed to represent that defendant except in those circumstances when the judicial officer presiding in the case determines that representation by the present non-Panel attorney is necessary because of the circumstances of the defendant; and it is further

ORDERED, that an individual judge may appoint an attorney who is not on the CJA Panel in those exceptional circumstances when the judge deems such appointment to be necessary because of unique or extraordinary circumstances, and that appointing judge shall issue a detailed order saying why an attorney who is not on the panel is being appointed and that the Chief Judge must be copied on that order; and it is further

ORDERED, that without such Order detailing the particular circumstances requiring the appointment of a non-Panel attorney in the case, a voucher shall not be issued and payment shall not be made for work on the case, but rather the attorney shall be deemed to have done the work pro bono publico; and it is further

ORDERED, that an exception to the rule precluding the appointment of attorneys who are not on the CJA Panel shall be made for attorneys appointed by the Court of Appeals in a pending appeal who (1) may represent criminal defendants in a post-conviction request for relief filed with the trial court, or (2) may represent criminal defendants in post-appellate proceedings on remand before the trial court; and it is further

ORDERED, that this Order shall take effect immediately.

SO ORDERED.

Date: March 28, 2025



Milton C. Lee, Jr.
Chief Judge

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APPENDIX

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT PANEL ATTORNEYS FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT PANEL

*(new to Full Panel Attorney)

** (new Provisional Panel Attorney)

Full Panel Members:

1. Ahmed, Atiq
2. Ain, Andrew
3. Akintoye, Hannah
4. Akulian, David
5. Allburn, Megan
6. Allen, Charles
7. Amissah, Albert (A.J.)
8. Archer, Colleen
9. Armand, Bernadette
10. Balarezo, A. Eduardo
11. Baldwin, Todd
12. Baron, Gregg
13. Bethel, Thecla
14. Bethel, Victoria
15. Bississo, Omar
16. Boggs, Justin
17. Bookhard, Bryan
18. Borecki, Susan
19. Bruckheim, Michael
20. Burrell, Brandon
21. Cade, Anthony
22. Camacho, Antonio
23. Catacalos, Damon
24. Clark, Jason
25. Cooper, Bruce
26. Cooper, Peter
27. Copeland, Gregory
28. Covert, Matthew*
29. Daniels II, Darryl
30. Dansie, Lucas
31. D'Antuono, Frances
32. Davies, Matthew

33. DiMillo, Anthony
34. Dorsey, Daniel
35. Dozier, Jalil
36. Ellis, Susan
37. Engle, Thomas
38. Escoto, Henry
39. Evans, Ferguson
40. Falodun, Oluwole (Wole)
41. Fay, Joseph
42. Franklin, Gretchen
43. Fullwood-Singh, Destiny
44. Gain, Edward (Skip)
45. Gardner, Kevann
46. Goldstone, Mark
47. Hairston, Russell
48. Hakimzadeh, Kiumars
49. Hammad, Neveen*
50. Harden, Brandi
51. Harris, Adam
52. Harrison, Claudine
53. Haskell, Charles
54. Healy, Thomas
55. Hertz, Matthew
56. Heslep, Thomas
57. Holliday, Jr., Richard
58. Holt, Veronica
59. Houston, Linda
60. Irving, Kevin
61. Iverson, Frederick
62. Jean-Baptiste, Chantal
63. Jenkins, Theresa
64. Johnson, Stuart
65. Jones, Raymond
66. Joseph, Edward
67. Judkins, Quo Mieko
68. Kamara, Louis
69. Kaplan, Martine*
70. Kassees, Kevin
71. Key, Thomas
72. Kiersh, Steven

73. King, Marnitta
74. Kleiman, Teresa
75. Koehler, Jamison
76. Kopecki, Sara
77. Kovler, Daniel
78. Langelo, Chris
79. Lanyi, Jonathan
80. Leigh, Morgan
81. Lester, Thomas
82. Lockard, Michelle
83. LoGerfo, Stephen
84. Machado, John
85. Madden, Michael
86. Maddox-Levine, T. Gail
87. Madsen, Adrian
88. McCliggott, Sean*
89. McCoy, Joseph
90. McCoy, Rachel
91. McDonald, Randy
92. McEachern, Howard
93. McGonigal, Kyle
94. McLaurin, Santia
95. Miller, Cedric
96. Minor, Karen
97. Molina, Joseph
98. Moore, Anne-Marie
99. Nicholas, Lauckland
100. O'Bryant, Adgie
101. Ogilvie, Steven
102. Ogolo, Chidi
103. Okezie, Justin
104. Oliver, Kevin
105. Page, Derrick
106. Palacio, Edwin
107. Patel, Sweta
108. Perrone, June
109. Phipps, Kelsey
110. Polin, Steven
111. Powell, Clarence
112. Queen, Elliott

113. Ramsay, Angela
114. Reed, Janai
115. Ricard, Craig
116. Rist, Matthew
117. Robertson, Kevin
118. Robinson, Ralph
119. Rollins, Mark
120. Rosendorf, Martin
121. Sample, John
122. Sapirstein, Lisbeth
123. Schragger, Seth
124. Scialpi, Errin
125. Serrano, Miguel
126. Simmons, Sellano
127. Smith, Anthony
128. Smith, Jr., Jerry
129. Stevens, Michelle (Gemma)
130. Sukumar, Shawn
131. Swaney, Julie Marie
132. Thom, Tammy
133. Thomas, Alvin
134. Thompson, Everald
135. Vaughan, Courtney
136. Wagner, Camille
137. Walton, Nicole*
138. Weathers, Sharon
139. Weletz, Carrie
140. Weller, Elizabeth (Betsy)
141. White, Elizabeth (Paige)
142. Wilson, Julie*
143. Winograd, Jesse
144. Yarbro, Jacqueline*
145. Ziadie, Lola
146. Zucker, Johnathan

Provisional Panel Members:

1. Amponsah, Oheneba ("Kofi")#
2. Barrella, Nigel#
3. Chiang, Diana####**

4. Conlow, William##
5. Graham, Charvin#
6. Hanrahan, Jestelle##
7. Harris, Tonya#
8. Hillmann, Alexander#
9. Johnson, Ayana##
10. Martorana, John#
11. Mason, Jeremy
12. Massey, Katherine##
13. McCullough, Michael###**
14. Okoli, Chimaeze###
15. Rasheed, Veda##
16. Rollins, Cynthia#
17. Roman, Laura###
18. Russell, Kimberly###
19. Ryan, James##
20. Valentine, James#
21. Young, Christopher#

#Provisional term expires June 2026

##Provisional term expires September 2026

###Provisional term expires March 2027