

**FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
Court Appointed/Conflict Attorney  
APPLICATION**

Please provide the following information as part of the application process 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 Fourteenth Judicial Circuit.

**Applicant Information**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Florida Bar #** \_\_\_\_\_  
(As it appears on your FL Bar Membership)

**Business Address** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(City)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(State)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Zip Code)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business #** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell #**(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax #**(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address** \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the following that apply:

- I am a member in good standing with The Florida Bar.
- 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.
- I am familiar with the attorney fees, cost and expenses set by the Florida Legislature and the Administrative Order related to court appointed counsel compensation in effect for the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit.
- I will not solicit compensation from the defendant or other client that I am appointed to represent.
- I will notify the Circuit Article V Indigent Services Committee 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 order of ineffective assistance of counsel that has been entered by a judge.
- I am familiar with the practice and procedure of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, and I will adhere to any applicable Administrative Orders of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit.

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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 October 1, 2004.

<b>CASES</b>	<b>Bay</b>	<b>Calhoun</b>	<b>Gulf</b>	<b>Holmes</b>	<b>Jackson</b>	<b>Washington</b>
<b>MISDEMEANOR</b> (Misdemeanor/Criminal Traffic)						

<b>FELONY &amp; POST CONVICTION</b>						
1 <sup>st</sup> Degree, Life Felony, Capital, Capital Sexual Battery						
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Felony						
<b>CAPITAL</b>						
Death Certified						
<b>JIMMY RYCE</b>						

<b>JUVENILE</b>						
Delinquency and Appeals						
Dependency (Shelter through Post-Disposition, and Appeals)						
Dependency (Termination of Parental Rights, and Appeals)						

<b>APPEALS</b>						
Capital Death Penalty						
1 <sup>st</sup> Degree, Life Felony, Capital, Capital Sexual Battery						
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Felony						
County to Circuit						
Jimmy Ryce						

<b>CIVIL</b>						
Standard Guardianship and Appeals						
Emergency Guardianship Cases						

## Qualifications for Court Appointed/Conflict Attorney

### CRIMINAL CASES

1. Be a member in good standing with The Florida Bar.
2. Be in compliance with The Florida Bar approved continuing legal education requirements, with a minimum of ten hours within a reporting cycle 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 *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.
  - c. 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 three state or federal jury or non-jury trials.
  - d. In *first degree, life felony, capital, capital sexual battery, 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 five state or federal jury trials.
  - e. In *capital death penalty cases*, the ISC recommends the adoption of rule 3.112 (f-g), Rules of Criminal Procedure, which outlines qualifications for attorneys in such cases.

### CRIMINAL APPELLATE CASES

4. Be a member in good standing with The Florida Bar.
5. Be in compliance with The Florida Bar approved continuing legal education requirements, with a minimum of ten hours within a reporting cycle devoted to appellate law.
6. Meet the following experience requirements:
  - a. In *misdemeanor, felony third and second degree, and juvenile delinquency appeals*, the attorney shall 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.
  - b. In *first degree, life felony, capital, capital sexual battery, and Jimmy Ryce appeals*, the attorney shall have been a member of The Florida Bar for at least three years, an experienced and active attorney in the field of appellate criminal law, or have experience in the appeal of at least five criminal cases.
  - c. In *capital death penalty cases*, the ISC recommends the adoption of rule 3.112 (h), Rules of Criminal Procedure, which outlines qualifications for attorneys in such cases.

## DEPENDENCY CASES

7. Be a member in good standing with The Florida Bar.
8. Meet the following experience requirements:
  - a. In *dependency cases (shelter to post-disposition, appeals of dependency cases)*, the attorney shall have observed a shelter hearing, a dependency hearing, and a termination of parental rights hearing, and have completed at least six hours of approved continuing legal education, within The Florida Bar reporting cycle, in the area of dependency law.
  - b. In *termination of parental rights cases and appeals of termination of parental rights*, the attorney shall have at least five adjudicatory hearings on petitions of dependency and one year of dependency experience.

## CIVIL/GUARDIANSHIP CASES

9. Be a member in good standing with The Florida Bar.
10. Meet the following experience requirements:
  - a. In *standard guardianship cases and appeals to standard guardianship cases*, the attorney shall be familiar with the practice and procedure of guardianship proceedings; have experience in the use of expert witnesses and evidence, including but not limited to psychiatric and forensic evidence; be an experienced trial practitioner who has represented clients in no fewer than two guardianship proceedings; and have completed at least six hours of approved continuing legal education, within The Florida Bar reporting cycle, in the area of guardianship law.
  - b. In *emergency guardianship cases*, certify familiarity with the following proceedings:
    - 1.) Chapter 415, Florida Statutes;
    - 2.) The Baker Act;
    - 3.) Chapter 392, Florida Statutes, Victims of Tuberculosis;
    - 4.) Chapter 744 and 765 & Rule 5.900, Florida Rules of Probate, Health Care Directives; and
    - 5.) Chapter 384, Florida Statutes, Victims of Sexually Transmitted Diseases.

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**CERTIFICATION**

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, decertification, or dismissal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Bar Number

**Your completed application must be received in court administration no later than Friday, September 7, 2004, to be considered for circuit-wide registries starting October 1, 2004.**

Applications received after September 7, 2004, will be reviewed and processed by the committee as it is able. Please submit this application to the following location:

**Fourteenth Judicial Circuit  
Article V Indigent Services Committee  
c/o Court Administration  
301 McKenzie Avenue  
Panama City, Florida 32401**