



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
**CRIMINAL DEFENSE ATTORNEY**  
CJA PANEL APPLICATION  
2020-2022 TERM  
(Please Type)

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
3. State(s) licensed to practice law and date(s) of admission:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Bar #(s): \_\_\_\_\_
5. Law School: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Have you ever been on the Defense Attorney CJA panel before? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, when? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Have you ever been disciplined by the Bar? \_\_\_\_\_  
(If so, please attach an explanation.)
8. Are you familiar with the Local Rules of Court and the General Orders for the Southern District of California? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you understand and agree to abide by the rules for the CJA voucher preparation? \_\_\_\_\_
10. In the last two (2) years have you earned at least twelve (12) hours of MCLE credit in criminal Procedure? \_\_\_\_\_
11. In the last two (2) years, have you attended the CJA seminar presented by Federal Defenders of San Diego, Inc.? \_\_\_\_\_

**12.** Are you willing to accept appointments which may require travel to El Centro? \_\_\_\_\_

**13.** Prior to appointment to this panel, you must satisfy one of the following requirements:

(Check "A," "B," "C," "D," or "E")

**A.** Have you practiced felony criminal law at least four (4) years in the United States District Court and demonstrated strong litigation skills and proficiency with the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, the Bail Reform Act, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and the Federal Rules of Evidence? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please list up to five (5) cases in the past 10 years you have tried to a verdict in federal district court, the names of the judges, and the names and phone numbers of opposing counsel:

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**B.** Have you been employed for the entire last two (2) years by either 1) the criminal division of the U.S. Attorney's office or 2) Federal Defenders of San Diego, Inc.?  
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If so, please list up to three (3) cases you have tried to a verdict, the names of the

judges, and the names and phone numbers of opposing counsel:

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**C.** Have you practiced at least four (4) years in a court of competent jurisdiction?

**and**

**a)** Within the last two (2) years, have you second-chaired an attorney in the U.S. District Court in two (2) felony trials? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please list the case and the name of the first-chair attorney:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**and**

**b)** Within the last two (2) years, have you second-chaired an attorney in the U.S. District Court in four (4) sentencing hearings in which the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines apply? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please list the case and the name of the first-chair attorney:

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**D.** Have you for the last two (2) preceding years practiced for and been employed by either:

- 1) The Office of the District Attorney, or
- 2) The Office of the Public Defender or the Office of the Alternate Public Defender, and
- 3) Have demonstrated that your criminal practice involved significant immigration - related consequences impacting strategy, disposition and/or sentencing?

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If so, please list up to three (3) cases you have tried to verdict, the names of the judges, and the names and phone numbers of opposing counsel:

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**E.** Have you practiced criminal law at least four (4) years in a court of competent jurisdiction; and

- 1) Have attained and maintained at least a Level III criminal attorney certification/eligibility rating, as established by the San Diego County District Attorney, the San Diego County Public Defender, the Office of the Alternate Public Defender, or equivalent for the last two (2) preceding years and

- 2)** Have you demonstrated that your criminal practice involved significant immigration - related consequences impacting litigation strategy, disposition and/or sentencing?

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If so, please list up to three (3) cases you have tried to verdict, the names of the judges, and the names and phone numbers of opposing counsel:

- 1.** \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 2.** \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 3.** \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 14.** List up to ten (10) felony criminal cases in which you appeared as attorney of record in the past two (2) years. List cases in which you have appeared in federal district court as attorney of record first.

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- 2.** \_\_\_\_\_
- 3.** \_\_\_\_\_
- 4.** \_\_\_\_\_
- 5.** \_\_\_\_\_
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- 7.** \_\_\_\_\_
- 8.** \_\_\_\_\_
- 9.** \_\_\_\_\_

10. \_\_\_\_\_

15. List three references (including work address and phone number) who have knowledge of your work:

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

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16. Applicants may submit letters of reference and/or a resume with the application.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature