

CRIMINAL ASSIGNMENT APPLICATION

This form should be completed by an attorney wishing to be admitted to the roster of appointed attorneys handling felony cases in Oakland County. This application will be reviewed by the Criminal Assignment Committee. Submission of an application does not guarantee admission to the attorney roster. Completed applications should be sent to Angelina Sharon at sharona@oakgov.com and idso@oakgov.com.

Name:

Business Address:

Primary Phone Number:

Alternate Phone Number:

Email Address:

Year Admitted to Michigan Bar:

P-Number:

Number of years practicing criminal defense law:

2 years or more

Less than 2 years

Number of cases where you represented a criminal defendant in the last three years:

State Court:

Completion date of most recent case:

Federal Court:

Completion date of most recent case:

Total number of criminal defense trials as the first-chair attorney:

Jury:

Bench:

Number as second chair (if applicable):

Please list your 6 (six) most recent jury trials as the first-chair trial attorney:

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Number of criminal defense preliminary exams conducted:

Number of criminal trials conducted as a prosecutor (if applicable):

Jury:

Bench:

Number of civil trials conducted (if applicable):

Jury:

Bench:

If you are fluent in any languages other than English, please list them:

List any positions you have held within the criminal justice system along with details and dates of service. (e.g., prosecutor, judicial clerk, public defender's office, etc.):

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List the names and P-Numbers of two attorneys or judges who you would use as a personal reference if necessary:

1.

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List any criminal law committees, bar sections, or criminal defense organizations of which you are a member:

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List any seminars, workshops or training sessions on criminal law in which you have participated as a speaker or presenter, along with details and dates:

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List any articles you have published on criminal law topics:

Please list any other legal training or experience that you believe is relevant to this application:

Have you ever been disciplined by the Michigan Attorney Discipline Board, or any board or committee serving the same function in another state or federal jurisdiction? If yes, please explain:

Please check the highest category for which you are seeking to be admitted to the appointed attorney roster. Habitual offender status is not taken into account when determining case category:

1 (capital cases)

2 (greater than 5 years, less than Life)

3 (greater than 2 years, less than 5 years)

4 (up to 2 years)

If this application is granted, you will be subject to the following conditions. Your signature on this application signifies that you understand these conditions and agree to follow them.

1. There are times when experienced attorneys are called upon to act as mentors for less experienced attorneys. This could include allowing a less experienced attorney to shadow you on certain cases, or act as a second-chair during a trial. You will not refuse reasonable requests to serve as a mentor.
2. The contents of this application are not confidential. Though the applications are not publicly posted, they are subject to being disclosed if they are responsive to a properly filed FOIA request that is served on the County of Oakland.
3. Appointed attorneys must comply with all of the applicable MIDC Standards, including all of the Continuing Legal Educations requirements. The full text of all Standards may be found on the MIDC's website: <https://michiganidc.gov/standards/>
4. The appointed attorney is an independent contractor who receives appointments from the Oakland County Indigent Defense Services Office to represent indigent defendants and is not an employee or agent of the County.
5. The appointed attorney is solely responsible for paying their own income and self-employment taxes and will receive an IRS form 1099 from the County. The County is not obligated and will not withhold any taxes from moneys paid to the appointed attorney for any services rendered.
6. The appointed attorney is not eligible for and will not receive any County employment benefits, including but not limited to wages, fringe benefits, retirement benefits, worker's disability compensation benefits, or unemployment compensation benefits.
7. The appointed attorney is not covered or insured by any County commercial or self-insured insurance policies, including but not limited to commercial general liability, professional malpractice liability or errors and omissions liability insurance.
8. The appointed attorney will be subject to the qualifications and rules established by the Criminal Assignment Committee and the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission.

9. The appointed attorney's placement on the appointment list is a privilege and not a right. The appointed attorney has no legal right to receive appointments and can be removed at any time from the appointment list pursuant to the rules of the Criminal Assignment Committee.
10. The appointed attorney shall report to the Criminal Assignment Committee within two weeks of all disciplinary actions received from State Bar, Attorney Grievance Commission, or any like body of another state or any federal attorney grievance system. The appointed attorney shall report to the Criminal Assignment Committee within two weeks of all charges and/or convictions under Michigan law, the law of any other state or federal law, or any findings of contempt by any court.
11. The appointed attorney agrees to be compensated pursuant to the Circuit Court Appointed Fee Schedule as amended and shall not seek any compensation from an indigent defendant during the case or after the disposition of the case. The appointed attorney must submit the required payment voucher to the IDSO within 30 days following the disposition or sentencing date of the case or the termination of the attorney's representation.
12. The County does not have the right to control or direct the appointed attorney's professional duties as an indigent defense counsel. The appointed attorney shall exercise their own professional judgment while representing indigent defendants.

Attorney Signature:

(You are not required to provide a digital signature, but if you choose to do so it will be treated the same as a physical signature. You may also print this form, sign it in ink, and scan it back to our office at the email addresses listed above).

Date: