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Application for CJA Panel Membership

Attorneys who wish to apply for admission to the CJA Panel for the District of North Dakota must complete and return the following CJA Application Form.

Note: You must be admitted to the bar of this court before applying for admission to the CJA Panel

CJA Panel Attorneys are required to either attend the annual CLE sponsored by the Federal Public Defender or complete a minimum of six hours of continuing legal education programs on criminal defense every two years, a portion of which must be dedicated to federal sentencing issues. CJA Panel Attorneys must also attend a mandatory orientation session conducted by the Federal Public Defender's Officer before receiving their first CJA appointment. Other requirements and expectations can be found in the [CJA Plan](#).

Completed forms should be emailed to: ndd_cja@ndd.uscourts.gov

On behalf of the district, we appreciated your interest in serving on the CJA Panel. If you have any questions, please call Todd Dudgeon at the Clerk's Office in Fargo at 701-297-7007.



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Name	
Office or Firm Address	
Telephone Number	
Email Address	
Legal Training include name of law school and year of graduation	
Bar Admissions include location, year of admission, and bar ID number for each jurisdiction:	
List any other advanced degrees or special qualifications applicable to specific types of criminal cases, and foreign language fluency.	
Please describe your experience representing criminal defendants.	
Please describe any unique or unusual types of cases you have handled, areas of emphasis, or specializations in your practice. For example, white collar crime, multi-defendant conspiracies, tax matters, mental health issues, stand-by counsel, wire intercepts, DNA or other forensic areas.	

<p>If you have not previously served as a member of the CJA Panel in the District of North Dakota, please provide us with the contact information for up to three references who are familiar with your legal work.</p>	
<p>Have you ever been the subject of any professional disciplinary complaint which resulted in a reprimand or any restrictions on a license to practice law, OR has a former client ever made a claim for ineffective assistance of counsel or legal malpractice against you? If yes, please explain.</p>	<p>Yes No</p>
<p>At which court divisions do you wish to be considered for CJA appointments?</p>	<p>Western Division (Bismarck/Minot) Eastern Division (Fargo/Grand Forks)</p>
<p>Have you previously represented a petitioner in a 28 USC §2255 proceeding?</p>	<p>Yes No</p>
<p>Are you willing to accept appointments as Limited CJA Counsel as defined in Section V(I) (H) of the Plan:</p>	<p>Yes No</p>

Please attach additional pages as needed.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the above information is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Attorney Signature

Date

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