

District of Columbia Court of Appeals

NOTICE

The D.C. Court of Appeals will be accepting applications from qualified attorneys for inclusion in its Criminal Justice Act (CJA) Panel beginning **June 1, 2012**. **Applications for the CJA panel will be available beginning May 31, 2012**. The CJA Panel is comprised of attorneys the Court determines are eligible to be appointed to represent indigent appellants in criminal appeals. **The Court has a need for bilingual attorneys**. Interested attorneys must return four copies of a completed application, including four copies of the writing sample, to the Clerk's Office of the D.C. Court of Appeals no later than **August 3, 2012**. The Court expects to notify successful applicants by the end of August 2012.

Attorneys currently on the DCCA CJA Panel who wish to remain on the Panel must return a completed application update no later than August 3, 2013. Current members may also attach their 2012 CLE documentation if the CLE requirement is fulfilled. If you are submitting your 2012 CLE, remember to submit both the DCCA form as well as attendance forms.

The application and application update may be obtained from the court's website beginning **May 31, 2012**, at <http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/legal/cja.jsf> . Completed applications should be submitted to the Court of Appeals, Historic Courthouse, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001. These should be sent to the attention of Rosanna Mason, Staff Counsel. **The application and application update include a waiver and release form that will permit the Office of Bar Counsel to release any disciplinary records on the applicant to the D.C. Court of Appeals.**

Prior to submitting an application, applicants must read Miscellaneous Order No. M-217-03, which establishes a Continuing Legal Education requirement for attorneys on the CJA panel, the 2006 Notice to CJA Counsel Concerning the Annual CLE Requirement, and the memorandum titled "Obligations of Counsel." These documents, along with other documents explaining various CJA issues, are available on the Court's website. Submission of an application constitutes an applicant's commitment to fulfill the obligations set forth in the aforementioned order and memoranda if the application is approved.

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