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Application and Qualification Statement for
JUVENILE LAW PANEL

Name: _____ State Bar# _____

Telephone #: _____ Fax #: _____

Office address: _____

Number of continuous active years practiced in California _____

I have practiced juvenile law at least three (3) years. Admission Year: _____

You must have been the attorney of record and have 3-years experience in this area of law. If your experience is outside California or you do not meet the requirements listed for membership, but believe you have substantial equivalent experience, please state how and why your experience should be considered on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this application. If you have questions concerning this application or your equivalent experience, please contact the San Mateo County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Office at the address and number listed above.

Certified Specialists

An applicant who is a certified Juvenile Law specialist, and whose current certification will last through the current membership year, automatically qualifies for all Juvenile Law subpanel(s). Otherwise, applicant must satisfy the qualifications for subpanel(s) that are applicable.

Please check box if you are a certified Juvenile Law specialist. If so, you **do not** need to complete this application any further.

PART A - DEPENDENCY AND PARENTAL RIGHTS

Class 1 - Representing Parents and Guardians - W & I Code §300 Applicant may qualify under Part A, Class 2, OR; within the last two years, applicant must have handled four W & I §300 proceedings - two must have been contested hearings with testimony. The contested hearings may be jurisdictional, dispositional, dependency status renewal, or permanency planning hearings.

County	Court	Case #	Contested (Y/N)	Inclusive date of representation
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

3. _____

4. _____

Class 2 - Representing Children- W & I Code §300 Within the last two years, applicant must have represented a child in four W & I §300 proceedings - two must have been contested hearings. The contested hearings may be jurisdictional, dispositional, dependency status renewal, or permanency planning hearings.

County	Court	Case #	Contested (Y/N)	Inclusive date of representation
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

PART B - DELINQUENCY

Class 1 - W & I Code §602 Jurisdictional matters where minor is under 16 or, if minor is 16 or over, the minor is not charged with an offense described in Part B, Class 2.

APPLICANT MAY QUALIFY UNDER A OR B BELOW

A) Within the last three years, applicant must have handled three cases - two must have been contested jurisdictional hearings on the merits of the charges; AND, applicant must meet the qualifications for the Regular Felony Subpanel of the Criminal Law Panel.

County	Court	Case #	Contested (Y/N)	Inclusive date of representation
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

I am a member of the Regular Felony Subpanel, OR

I have enclosed a qualifications application for the Regular Felony sub-panel.

-OR-

B) Within the last three years, applicant must have handled seven cases - four must have been contested jurisdictional hearings on the merits of the charges; AND, applicant must state that at least thirty percent of applicant's practice is in juvenile law, AND must certify that applicant has a demonstrable working familiarity with the concepts of criminal law.

I certify that at least thirty percent of my practice is in juvenile law, and further, that I have a working familiarity with the concepts of criminal law because:

County	Court	Case #	Contested (Y/N)	Inclusive date of representation
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Class 2 - W & I Code §602 Jurisdictional matter where minor is 16 or over and is accused of an offense under W & I Code Section 707 (b), AND where the District Attorney does not waive the right to a “fitness” hearing.

APPLICANT MAY QUALIFY UNDER A OR B BELOW

A) Applicant must qualify for Part B - Class 1 AND meet the qualifications for the Serious Felony Subpanel of the Criminal Law Panel; AND within the last three years, must have handled one juvenile fitness hearing or a dispositional hearing which involved calling and examining non-family witnesses.

County	Court	Case #	Contested (Y/N)	Inclusive date of representation
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

-OR-

B) Applicant must qualify for Part B, Class 1 AND within last five years must have handled five cases involving minors over 16 charged with acts specified in Section 707(b): of these five, two must be contested jurisdictional hearings on the merits of the charges, AND one must be a fitness hearing - OR instead of one fitness hearing, two contested dispositional hearings with testimony of non-family witnesses may be substituted, but only one of these two must involve a Section 707(b) offense.

County	Court	Case #	Contested (Y/N)	Inclusive date of representation
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

NOTE: IN THE EVENT THE JUVENILE IS TRANSFERRED TO ADULT COURT UNDER SECTION 707, A PANEL MEMBER CANNOT REMAIN AS COUNSEL UNLESS MEMBER QUALIFIES FOR THE SERIOUS FELONY SUBPANEL, NOR CAN A PANEL MEMBER REMAIN AS COUNSEL IN MURDER OR SECTION 209 CASES IN ADULT COURT UNLESS APPLICANT QUALIFIES FOR THE MURDER SUBPANEL OF THE CRIMINAL LAW PANEL.

I, the undersigned, have read the foregoing conditions for membership to the Juvenile Law Court Appointment subpanel and agree to abide by them.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

I had full responsibility for all cases listed in the application, or if not, I have attached an explanation.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at _____, California

on the _____ Day of _____, 20 _____.

Signature of Applicant

If you are unable to meet the above experience panel qualifications, you may submit in writing and attach to the Experience Statement, a statement under penalty of perjury of what you believe to be sufficient equivalent experience to qualify you for this panel.