

**LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE  
SAN MATEO COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION  
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Application and Qualification Statement for  
**FAMILY LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ State Bar# \_\_\_\_\_

Office Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of continuous active years practiced in California \_\_\_\_\_

I have practiced family 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 Family Law specialist, and whose current certification will last through the current membership year, automatically qualifies for all subpanels. Otherwise, applicant must satisfy the qualifications for all Family Law subpanel(s) that are applicable.

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

Family law includes all matters related to advice and handling of proceedings involving annulment or dissolution of marriage, legal separation, support enforcement, custody, and change of name, as well as advice and preparation of settlement agreements and related family transactions.

**BEGINNING LEVEL**

Within the last two years, I have successfully handled two dissolutions of marriage, annulments, or legal separations, taken through Judgment, and both of which involved order to show cause hearings, at which the opposing party was represented by counsel.

Court	Case Name	Case No.	Year
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____

**INTERMEDIATE LEVEL**

Within the past three years, I have handled at least five dissolutions, annulments, or legal separations, including the following:

- a. These cases were taken through judgment;
- b. Two property settlement agreements;
- c. Three order to show cause hearings at which the opposing parties were represented by counsel;
- d. Two cases involving child custody or visitation proceedings; and
- e. One case involving a pension or deferred compensation plan.

Court	Case Name	Case No.	Judgment (Yes/No)	Property Settlement Agreement (Yes/No)	OSC Hearing (Yes/No)	Custody/ Visitation (Yes/No)	Pension Plan (Yes/No)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

I submit the above information in support of my application for the San Mateo County Lawyer Referral Service Family Law Experience Panel and I agree to cooperate with the Service in facilitating reasonable verification of the same. I have read and am familiar with the Rules of the San Mateo County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service and agree to abide by them.

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.*