

**LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE
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Application and Qualification Statement for
IMMIGRATION SUBJECT PANEL

Name: _____ State Bar# _____

Office Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax#: _____

Number of continuous active years practiced in California _____

I have practiced immigration 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 Immigration and Nationality Law specialist, and whose current certification will last through the current membership year, automatically qualifies for all classes except Class 3 (b). Otherwise, applicant must satisfy the qualifications under Class 3 (b) for in-custody adjudications.

Experience Qualifications

Class 1 – Employment-based Immigration

Within the last five years, applicant must have represented five immigrants with employment-based visa applications.

List the five matters:

	Place case was filed	Type of Visa	Inclusive Dates of Representation
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

4. _____

5. _____

Class 2 – Family-based Immigration

Within the last five years, applicant must have represented five immigrants with family-based visa applications.

	Place case was filed	Type of Visa	Inclusive Dates of Representation
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____

Class 3 – Deportation Defense

A.) Non-custody adjudications

Within the last five years, applicant must have represented immigrants in five removal proceedings in which an application for relief was made or a motion to terminate was filed and the case was handled to disposition, e.g. where there was a final order by the immigration judge (or an order by the IJ that was not final but was subsequently appealed) or the case was administratively closed.

	Place case was filed	Final Hearing or Disposition Date	Type of Case/Relief
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____

B.) In-custody adjudications

Applicant may qualify one of the following ways:

Applicant meets the requirements for Class 3(a) AND is a member of the LRS Criminal Law Panel at the Regular Felony Level or higher, or have equivalent criminal experience. (Please include a statement of substantial, equivalent experience.)

I am a felony-level member of the Criminal Law Panel.

-OR-

Within the last five years, applicant must have represented immigrants in five removal proceedings that involved immigrants with criminal issues.

	Place case was filed	Final Hearing or Disposition Date	Type of Case/Relief
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____

I submit the above information in support of my application for the San Mateo Lawyer County Lawyer Referral Service Bankruptcy 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.