



FIRST DISTRICT APPELLATE PROJECT
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENTS IN THE FIRST APPELLATE DISTRICT

A. Name and Contact Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Business Address: *(Note: this address will be given to clients and the court.)*

Street Address 1:

Street Address 2:

City:

County:

State:

Zip:

Telephone:

Fax:

E-Mail:

Shipping Address: *(For ease of tracking, we prefer to ship transcripts by UPS.
If the above address is a P.O. Box, please list a street address
for UPS; see attached note)*

Street Address 1:

Street Address 2:

City:

State:

Zip:

B. Law School and Bar Admission

Year of Admission to the Cal. Bar:

Cal. State Bar No.:

Law School:

Date of Graduation:

Special honors and activities in law school:

C. Types of Cases

Please check the type of cases you would like to handle:

Criminal Juvenile Delinquency Juvenile Dependency Mental Health

D. Experience and Skills

Of the years you have been in practice; please give an aggregate of how many years have been devoted to the types of cases you are applying for?

Describe your experience with these cases and very briefly summarize the rest of your experience (You may also provide a cover letter and resume):

E. Appeals/AOB History

Number of appeals you have handled in which the appellant’s opening brief has been filed:

Please list the five most recent, and/or any significant cases you have handled:

1.	Name	Case No.	AOB Date Filed	Citation
Result:				
2.	Name	Case No.	AOB Date Filed	Citation
Result:				
3.	Name	Case No.	AOB Date Filed	Citation
Result:				
4.	Name	Case No.	AOB Date Filed	Citation
Result:				
5.	Name	Case No.	AOB Date Filed	Citation
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6.	Name	Case No.	AOB Date Filed	Citation
Result:				
7.	Name	Case No.	AOB Date Filed	Citation
Result:				
8.	Name	Case No.	AOB Date Filed	Citation
Result:				

F. Seminars/Training

List any relevant seminars or other training programs you have attended:

Date (mm-yyyy)	Subject Matter	Sponsor

G. Language

Indicate any foreign language proficiency:

H. Case Preferences/Limitations

State any areas of special expertise and interest, and any limitations on the types of cases you want:

List your membership in any trial or appellate indigent representation panels:

Trial / Appellate Panel	Dates <i>(e.g. 02/13-present or 1999-2004)</i>	Describe Cases <i>(e.g. "felony trials", "misdemeanor appeals")</i>	Number of Appointments
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I. Caseload

Frequency you would like to be assigned cases:

Provide the approximate percentage of your time in legal work as a practicing attorney in the listed categories for the **past three years** in the column below:

Also provide estimated percentages reflecting your expected or intended distribution of your time in legal work for the **foreseeable future** in the column below:

(In so estimating for the future, it is fine to base those estimates on the assumption that you will be admitted to this or other panels):

	Past 3 Years		Foreseeable Future
a) Criminal trial matters	%		%
b) Criminal appellate matters	%		%
c) Delinquency trial matters	%		%
d) Delinquency appellate matters	%		%
e) Dependency trial matters	%		%
f) Dependency appellate matters	%		%
g) Other appellate matters	%		%
h) Other	%		%
Totals	%		%

J. Writing Samples

Provide the percentage of work on writing samples that is your own.

<i>Writing Sample #1</i>	
a) Legal Research	%
b) Issue Identification	%
c) Procedural History	%
d) Factual Summary/ Statement of Facts	%
e) Drafting Arguments	%
f) Proofreading/Editing	%

<i>Writing Sample #2</i>	
a) Legal Research	%
b) Issue Identification	%
c) Procedural History	%
d) Factual Summary/ Statement of Facts	%
e) Drafting Arguments	%
f) Proofreading/Editing	%

Any additional explanation regarding work performed by yourself or others on writing samples:

K. References

1.	Name	Phone	Email	Relationship
Address				

2.	Name	Phone	Email	Relationship
Address				

3.	Name	Phone	Email	Relationship
Address				

L. Previous Applications

Have you previously applied to this panel?

No: Yes:

If yes, date(s):

Be advised that admission to the First District appointment panel does not entitle you to any particular number or kind of cases or to continue to be listed on any particular appointment panel within the First District; since its inception in 1986 the First District Appellate Project has been under contract with the Court of Appeal to carry out the functions stated in rule 8.300, including the following provision of rule 8.300(d): “[Evaluation] The court shall review and evaluate the performance of appointed counsel to determine whether counsel's name should remain on the same appointment list, be placed on a different list, or be deleted.”

Typed Name: _____ Date: _____

NOTICE CONCERNING CONFIDENTIALITY OF ADDRESSES

Please note that in the enclosed application to join the First District panel of appointed attorneys, your “Business Address” and phone number will be given to the client.

In addition, because FDAP uses UPS and UPS will not deliver to P.O. Box addresses, we have asked you for a separate shipping address *if your business address is a P.O. Box*. Sometimes people use their home address as the shipping address. The shipping address will be kept confidential by FDAP, and will not be given out to the client or anyone else.

However, some of the Superior Court county clerks offices also use UPS for shipping, and so if your business address is a P.O. Box they ask FDAP for your shipping address in cases where they are shipping the record directly to you. It is necessary for us in that situation to give them the shipping address. Although we have requested that this address be kept confidential, we have no direct control over the County clerks and on rare occasion the County clerks have given out the shipping address.

If you wish to avoid even the remote possibility that your shipping address may end up being given out by the county clerks, you should use a business address that is *not* a P.O. Box. (In that event, FDAP does not even ask you for a shipping address, and only your business address is given to the county clerks.) In that regard, you might consider renting a “PMB” for your business address; a number of panel attorneys have done this. A “PMB” stands for “Private Mail Box” and many providers have them– they’re listed in the yellow pages under “Mail Receiving and Forwarding Services.” UPS and the other services deliver to PMB’s.