

ATTACHMENT (A)
Sixth Judicial Circuit Registry Attorney Standards and Qualifications

All Sixth Judicial Circuit Registry attorneys must meet the following experience and other qualifications as specified below for each list on which the attorney serves.

An attorney's failure to comply with these requirements may result in removal of the attorney from all court-appointed lists.

CRIME LISTS	<u>Registry list Name</u> and qualifications	Comments/ Geographic Service Areas
All Criminal, Juvenile Delinquency, & Jimmy Ryce Trial and Criminal Appellate Counsel.	1. Have attended within the last 12 months a minimum of 10 hours of criminal law CLE approved by The Florida Bar. 2. Be familiar with the practice and procedure of the criminal courts in the 6 th Circuit. 3. Meet the experience requirements as stated below applicable to the alleged offense/event.	
Non-capital felony and misdemeanor trials. 1st degree felony trials 2nd degree felony trials 3rd degree felony trials Misdemeanor trials Criminal Contempt Involuntary Commitment of a defendant adjudicated not guilty by reason of insanity Criminal postconviction Interstate Extradition	<u>Non-capital Felony & Misdemeanor Trials:</u> a. Member in good standing of The Florida Bar for the previous 3 years. b. Experienced and active trial practitioner with no fewer than ten state or federal jury trials. c. Served as lead counsel or co-counsel in ten felony cases, including five jury trials that were tried to completion.	East Pasco, West Pasco, Pinellas

<p>Post Sentencing DNA testing</p> <p>Withdrawal of Plea</p> <p>Parole Revocation</p> <p>Probation Revocation</p> <p>Any other proceeding not noted elsewhere that may result in the incarceration of the defendant/respondent</p>		
<p>Juvenile Delinquency trials</p>	<p><u>Juvenile Delinquency Trials:</u></p> <p>a. Member in good standing of The Florida Bar for the previous 12 months.</p> <p>b. Familiar with practice and procedure of delinquency proceedings.</p> <p>c. Experienced trial practitioner with no fewer than 3 delinquency dispositions or 3 state or federal jury or non-jury trials.</p> <p>d. Annually complete at least three (3) hours of The Florida Bar approved CLE in delinquency law. This CLE may be part of the ten hours criminal law CLE required for all criminal conflict trial counsel. Alternatively, the attorney may annually complete at least three (3) hours of The Florida Bar approved CLE concerning legal advocacy for children; if this alternative is chosen, the CLE may not be counted towards the 10 hours of CLE required for all criminal, juvenile delinquency, and Jimmy Ryce attorneys.</p>	<p>East Pasco, West Pasco, Pinellas</p>
<p>Criminal, Juvenile Delinquency, & Jimmy Ryce Appeals</p> <p>Non-capital felony, misdemeanor, juvenile delinquency and Jimmy Ryce civil confinement appeals.</p>	<p><u>Criminal, Juvenile Delinquency, and Jimmy Ryce Appeals:</u></p> <p>a. Member in good standing of The Florida Bar for the previous three years;</p> <p>b. Attended within the last 12 months a minimum of ten hours of The Florida Bar approved CLE devoted to appellate law;</p> <p>c. An experienced and active practitioner in the field of appellate criminal law or have experience in the appeal of at least five criminal cases.</p>	<p>Circuit-wide list</p>

<p>Capital death penalty trials</p> <p>Attorneys on this list that are also on the list of capital attorneys with the Florida Commission on Capital Cases may be appointed to represent defendants in capital postconviction motions in the Sixth Circuit.</p>	<p><u>Death Penalty Trials – Lead Counsel or Death Penalty Trials – Co-counsel:</u> Meet the requirements of Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure Rule 3.112(f) for Lead Counsel, and 3.112(g) for Co-Counsel, plus:</p> <p>a. Member in good standing in The Florida Bar for the previous five years; and b. In addition to the continuing legal education requirements of 3.112(f)(7) and 3.112(g)(2)(E), respectively, during any year that counsel does not attend a continuing legal education program of at least twelve hours' duration devoted specifically to the defense of capital cases, counsel is required to obtain the case law update materials from the Public Defender's Office.</p> <p>Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.112(f-g). 3.112(f) Lead Counsel. Lead trial counsel assignments should be given to attorneys who:</p> <p>(1) are members of the bar admitted to practice in the jurisdiction or admitted to practice <i>pro hac vice</i>; and (2) are experienced and active trial practitioners with at least five years of litigation experience in the field of criminal law; and (3) have prior experience as lead counsel in no fewer than nine state or federal jury trials of serious and complex cases which were tried to completion, as well as prior experience as lead defense counsel or cocounsel in at least two state or federal cases tried to completion in which the death penalty was sought. In addition, of the nine jury trials which were tried to completion, the attorney should have been lead counsel in at least three cases in which the charge was murder; or alternatively, of the nine jury trials, at least one was a murder trial and an additional five were felony jury trials; and (4) are familiar with the practice and procedure of the criminal courts of the jurisdiction; and (5) are familiar with and experienced in the utilization of expert witnesses and evidence, including but not limited to psychiatric and forensic evidence; and (6) have demonstrated the necessary proficiency and commitment which exemplify the quality of representation appropriate to capital cases, including but not limited to the investigation and presentation of evidence in mitigation of the death penalty; and (7) have attended within the last two years a continuing legal education program of at least twelve hours' duration devoted specifically to the defense of capital cases.</p> <p>3.112(g) Cocounsel. Trial cocounsel assignments should be given to attorneys who:</p> <p>(1) are members of the bar admitted to practice in the jurisdiction or admitted to practice <i>pro hac vice</i>; and (2) qualify as lead counsel under paragraph (f) of these standards or meet the following requirements: (A) are experienced and active trial practitioners with at least three years of litigation experience in the field of criminal law; and (B) have prior experience as lead counsel or cocounsel in no fewer than three state or federal jury trials of serious and complex cases which were tried to completion, at least two of which were trials in which</p>	<p>Circuit-wide Lead Counsel and Co-Counsel lists</p>
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	<p>the charge was murder; or alternatively, of the three jury trials, at least one was a murder trial and one was a felony jury trial; and (C) are familiar with the practice and procedure of the criminal courts of the jurisdiction; and (D) have demonstrated the necessary proficiency and commitment which exemplify the quality of representation appropriate to capital cases, and (E) have attended within the last two years a continuing legal education program of at least twelve hours' duration devoted specifically to the defense of capital cases.</p>	
<p>Capital death penalty Appeals</p>	<p><u>Death Penalty Appeals:</u> Meet Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure Rule 3.112(h), plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Member in good standing in The Florida Bar for the previous five years; and b. In addition to the continuing legal education requirements of 3.112(h)(6), during any year that counsel does not attend a continuing legal education program of at least twelve hours' duration devoted specifically to the defense of capital cases, counsel is required to obtain the case law update materials from the Public Defender's Office. <p>Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.112(h). (h) Appellate Counsel. Appellate counsel assignments should be given to attorneys who: (1) are members of the bar admitted to practice in the jurisdiction or admitted to practice <i>pro hac vice</i>; and (2) are experienced and active trial or appellate practitioners with at least five years of experience in the field of criminal law; and (3) have prior experience in the appeal of at least one case where a sentence of death was imposed, as well as prior experience as lead counsel in the appeal of no fewer than three felony convictions in federal or state court, at least one of which was an appeal of a murder conviction; or alternatively, have prior experience as lead counsel in the appeal of no fewer than six felony convictions in federal or state court, at least two of which were appeals of a murder conviction; and (4) are familiar with the practice and procedure of the appellate courts of the jurisdiction; and (5) have demonstrated the necessary proficiency and commitment which exemplify the quality of representation appropriate to capital cases; and (6) have attended within the last two years a continuing legal education program of at least twelve hours' duration devoted specifically to the defense of capital cases.</p>	<p>Circuit-wide list</p>
<p>Jimmy Ryce Involuntary Civil Confinement Trials</p>	<p><u>Jimmy Ryce Trials:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Member of The Florida Bar for the previous 3 years. b. Be familiar with the practice and procedure of the criminal and civil courts in the 6th Circuit. c. Experienced and active trial practitioner with no fewer than ten state or federal jury trials. d. Served as lead counsel or co-counsel in ten felony cases, including five jury trials that were tried to completion. 	<p>East Pasco, West Pasco, Pinellas</p>

DEPENDENCY LISTS	<u>Registry list Name and qualifications</u>	Comments/ Geographic Service Areas
<p>Dependency Proceedings</p> <p>Dependency Shelter hearings</p> <p>Dependency adjudication</p> <p>Judicial Review</p> <p>Children in Need of Services/Families in Need of Services --Attorney for Parent</p> <p>Termination of Parental Rights trials --Chapter 39 --Chapter 63</p>	<p><u>Dependency Attorney for Parent:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Member in good standing with The Florida Bar for the previous 3 years. 2. Familiar with practice and procedure of dependency proceedings, including the application of the Juvenile Rules of Procedure and the Family Law Rules of Procedure. 3. Observation of at least 30 hours of hearings, including 6 shelter hearings, 3 dependency hearings, and 1 TPR hearing. 4. Have attended within the last 12 months a minimum of three (3) hours of continuing legal education in dependency law. 	<p>East Pasco, West Pasco, Pinellas</p>
<p>Children in Need of Services/Families in Need of Services --Attorney for Child</p> <p>Dependency w/mental health (residential treatment)</p> <p>Emancipation</p> <p>Attorney Ad Litem for child</p> <p>Parental Notice of Abortion Act</p> <p>Any other proceeding where a child is entitled to representation</p>	<p><u>Attorney for Child:</u></p> <p>Meet requirements for Dependency List, plus complete three-hour training course offered by the Guardian Ad Litem program.</p>	<p>East Pasco, West Pasco, Pinellas</p>

Appeals of proceedings conducted by Dependency Attorneys and Attorneys for the Child.	<u>Dependency Appeals:</u> 1. Member in good standing with The Florida Bar for the previous 3 years. 2. Familiar with the practice and procedure of dependency proceedings in the 6 th Circuit. 3. Appellate practitioner with at least 3 years of experience in dependency or appellate law. 4. An experienced and active practitioner in the field of appellate law or have experience in the appeal of at least five cases not limited to dependency or termination of parental rights cases. 5. Have attended within the last 12 months a minimum of three (3) hours of continuing legal education in dependency law.	Circuit-wide list
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GUARDIANSHIP LISTS	<u>Registry list Name and qualifications</u>	Comments/ Geographic Service Areas
Standard Guardianship Proceedings including: Developmental Disabilities Guardianship proceedings under Chapter 744, Florida Statutes Attorney Ad Litem for estate	<u>Standard Guardianship:</u> 1. Member in good standing with The Florida Bar for the previous 3 years. 2. Familiar with practice and procedure of guardianship proceedings in the 6 th Circuit. 3. Experienced trial practitioner who has represented clients in no fewer than fifteen (15) guardianship proceedings. 4. Have attended within the last 12 months a minimum of three (3) hours of guardianship CLE approved by The Florida Bar. 5. Have completed eight (8) hours of continuing legal education in guardianship law or have served as an attorney of record for guardians for three or more years.	East Pasco, West Pasco, Pinellas
Emergency Guardianship proceedings, including: Adult Protective Svcs. Substance abuse assessment (Marchman Act) Mental Health (Baker Act) Tuberculosis Victims Healthcare Advance Directives Sexually Transmissible Disease Victims	<u>Emergency Guardianship:</u> Meet the requirements for the Standard Guardianship List, plus: Certify familiarity with statutory and case law for the following proceedings and certify competency to provide representation in the following proceedings: Chapter 415 for Adult Protective Services; the Marchman Act; the Baker Act; Chapter 392 for victims of tuberculosis; Chapter 744 & 765 and Fla. R. Prob. 5.900 Health Care Advance Directives; and Chapter 384 for victims of sexually transmitted diseases. <u>After-hours Emergency Guardianship:</u> meet Emergency Guardianship requirements plus: Agree to be available between the hours of 5:00 PM and 8:00 AM, and all day weekends and holidays in order to respond to calls for appointment in Florida Probate Rule 5.900 proceedings. Agree to immediately respond to a court appointment and be prepared to represent a client in a Rule 5.900 proceeding within two hours.	East Pasco, West Pasco, Pinellas Pinellas/Circuit-wide: the After-hours Emergency Guardianship list is generally to provide counsel for proceedings occurring outside of normal work hours at All Children’s Hospital in St. Petersburg.

Guardianship Appeals	<u>Guardianship Appeals:</u> 1. Member in good standing with The Florida Bar for the previous 3 years. 2. Familiar with practice and procedure of guardianship proceedings in the Sixth Judicial Circuit. 3. Experienced appellate practitioner who has represented clients in no fewer than five (5) appeals. 4. Have attended within the last 12 months a minimum of three (3) hours of guardianship CLE approved by The Florida Bar. 5. Have completed eight (8) hours of continuing legal education in guardianship law or have served as an attorney of record for guardians for three or more years.	Circuit-wide list

OTHER		
Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 App. U.S.C.A. § 521 (b)(2)).	No standards set. Chief Judge will analyze type of case involved and use exigent circumstance authority to appoint appropriately qualified member of The Florida Bar.	Require plaintiff to pay \$300.00 fee. If plaintiff indigent, JAC to pay.