

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 24-21**

**Additions to the Criminal Justice Act Panel of Attorneys  
Supersedes Administrative Order 24-19<sup>1</sup>**

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 09-07, issued on June 12, 2009, required the unification and reconstitution of the Criminal Justice Act Panel (“CJA Panel”) of attorneys and directed the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys to receive and evaluate applications; and

**WHEREAS**, the above Administrative Order also required the re-establishment of the CJA Panel every four years; and

**WHEREAS**, by Administrative Order 23-03 issued on April 6, 2023<sup>2</sup>, the Chief Judge ordered the re-establishment of the CJA Panel and required that all attorneys seeking to become or remain members of the CJA Panel were to file application with the Court; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys submitted its Final Report on its procedures for evaluating applications and the recommended names of attorneys to be appointed to the CJA Panel as Full and Provisional Members were accepted by the Chief Judge pursuant to Administrative Order 24-03; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee will continue to review and consider all applications pending on a rolling basis, following its procedures for evaluating applications, and recommending names of attorneys to appointed as provisional and full panel members; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the administration of justice for these recommendations to be implemented at this time.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is by the Court,

**ORDERED**, that the attached list shall constitute the CJA Panel from this day forward, and attorneys listed are appointed as Full or Provisional Members as set forth in the attached list; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that absent suspension or removal, and except as otherwise stated hereafter, the attorneys listed are appointed to the CJA Panel for a period of four (4) years, at which time they must submit an application for reappointment, pending the determination of which they may remain CJA Panel members; and it is further

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<sup>1</sup> Updated to include Edwin Palacio and change effective date for Kevann Gardner.

<sup>2</sup> The Panel was not re-established in 2022 due to the Coronavirus public health pandemic.

**ORDERED**, that Provisional Members previously appointed and hereafter listed, shall remain in such status until the end of their original two-year term, prior to the expiration of which they must apply to become a Full Member, as set forth hereafter; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that newly-appointed Provisional Attorneys are appointed for a term not to exceed two years during which they must apply to be a Full Member provided that (1) the attorney represents a defendant in at least two felony jury trials as second chair, and (2) the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys, in consultation with the CJA Panel Advisory Committee, recommends the attorney for appointment as a Full Member; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that an attorney's membership on the CJA Panel is conditioned upon his or her compliance with all Administrative Orders setting an annual cap for attorney compensation for appointed representation and providing representation in conformance with the Attorney Practice Standards for Criminal Defense Representation previously published; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that an attorney's membership on the CJA Panel is conditioned upon his or her compliance with all Administrative Orders setting requirements for completion of Continuing Legal Education credits. In addition, attorneys must pick up in Courtroom C10 a minimum of 12 times per year to remain on the Panel; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that newly-appointed attorneys are eligible to receive Court appointments upon notification by the CJA Panel Advisory Committee to the Chairperson of the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys that the attorney has received the necessary training; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that from this day forward, and unless otherwise determined to be appropriate, when making appointments of counsel under the Criminal Justice Act, judicial officers of the Superior Court shall appoint **only** attorneys listed on the CJA Panel for new cases entering the Superior Court, return of bench warrants and probation revocation matters, and for existing cases where the judicial officer presiding in the case has entered an order permitting an attorney to withdraw or otherwise removing counsel; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that absent any further order from the judicial officer presiding in a given case, counsel appointed prior to this date to represent a client pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act shall continue with such representation and shall be compensated for such representation pursuant to the Act; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that with respect to new cases or other matters that may arise for an indigent defendant already represented in another matter under the Criminal Justice Act by a non-Panel attorney, an attorney from the CJA Panel shall be appointed to represent that defendant except in those circumstances when the judicial officer presiding in the case determines that representation by the present non-Panel attorney is necessary because of the circumstances of the defendant; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that an individual judge may appoint an attorney who is not on the CJA Panel in those exceptional circumstances when the judge deems such appointment to be necessary because of unique or extraordinary circumstances, and that appointing judge shall issue a detailed order saying why an attorney who is not on the panel is being appointed and that the Chief Judge must be copied on that order; and it is further

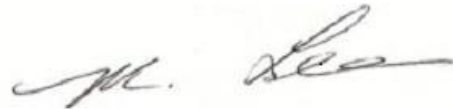
**ORDERED**, that without such Order detailing the particular circumstances requiring the appointment of a non-Panel attorney in the case, a voucher shall not be issued and payment shall not be made for work on the case, but rather the attorney shall be deemed to have done the work pro bono publico; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that an exception to the rule precluding the appointment of attorneys who are not on the CJA Panel shall be made for attorneys appointed by the Court of Appeals in a pending appeal who (1) may represent criminal defendants in a post-conviction request for relief filed with the trial court, or (2) may represent criminal defendants in post-appellate proceedings on remand before the trial court; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that this Order shall take effect immediately.

**SO ORDERED.**

**DATE:** December 23, 2024



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Milton C. Lee, Jr.  
Chief Judge

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## APPENDIX

### RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT PANEL ATTORNEYS FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT PANEL

\*(new to Full Panel Attorney)

\*\* (new Provisional Panel Attorney)

#### **Full Panel Members:**

1. Ain, Andrew
2. Akintoye, Hannah
3. Akulian, David
4. Allburn, Megan
5. Allen, Charles
6. Amissah, Albert (A.J.)
7. Archer, Colleen
8. Balarezo, A. Eduardo
9. Baldwin, Todd
10. Baron, Gregg
11. Bethel, Thecla
12. Bethel, Victoria
13. Bississo, Omar
14. Boggs, Justin
15. Bookhard, Bryan
16. Borecki, Susan
17. Bruckheim, Michael
18. Burrell, Brandon
19. Cade, Anthony
20. Camacho, Antonio
21. Catacalos, Damon
22. Clark, Jason
23. Cooper, Bruce
24. Cooper, Peter
25. Copeland, Gregory
26. Daniels II, Darryl
27. Dansie, Lucas
28. D'Antuono, Frances
29. Davies, Matthew
30. DiMillo, Anthony
31. Dorsey, Daniel
32. Dozier, Jalil

33. Ellis, Susan
34. Engle, Thomas
35. Escoto, Henry
36. Evans, Ferguson
37. Falodun, Oluwole (Wole)
38. Fay, Joseph
39. Franklin, Gretchen
40. Fullwood-Singh, Destiny
41. Gain, Edward (Skip)
42. Gardner, Kevann (effective Jan. 13, 2025)
43. Goldstone, Mark
44. Hairston, Russell
45. Hakimzadeh, Kiumars
46. Harden, Brandi
47. Harris, Adam
48. Harrison, Claudine
49. Haskell, Charles
50. Healy, Thomas
51. Hertz, Matthew
52. Heslep, Thomas
53. Holliday, Jr., Richard
54. Holt, Veronica
55. Houston, Linda
56. Irving, Kevin
57. Iverson, Frederick
58. Jean-Baptiste, Chantal
59. Jenkins, Theresa
60. Johnson, Stuart
61. Jones, Raymond
62. Joseph, Edward
63. Judkins, Quo Mieko
64. Kalafat, Jason
65. Kamara, Louis
66. Kassees, Kevin
67. Key, Thomas
68. Kiersh, Steven
69. King, Marnitta
70. Kleiman, Teresa
71. Koehler, Jamison
72. Kopecki, Sara

73. Kovler, Daniel
74. Langelo, Chris
75. Lanyi, Jonathan
76. Leigh, Morgan
77. Lester, Thomas
78. Lockard, Michelle
79. LoGerfo, Stephen
80. Machado, John
81. Madden, Michael
82. Maddox-Levine, T. Gail
83. Madsen, Adrian
84. McCoy, Joseph
85. McCoy, Rachel
86. McDonald, Randy
87. McEachern, Howard
88. McGonigal, Kyle
89. McLaurin, Santia
90. Miller, Cedric
91. Minor, Karen
92. Molina, Joseph
93. Moore, Anne-Marie
94. Nicholas, Lauckland
95. O'Bryant, Adgie
96. Ogilvie, Steven
97. Ogolo, Chidi
98. Okezie, Justin
99. Oliver, Kevin
100. Page, Derrick
101. Paige-White, Elizabeth
102. Palacio, Edwin
103. Patel, Sweta
104. Perrone, June
105. Phipps, Kelsey
106. Polin, Steven
107. Powell, Clarence
108. Queen, Elliott
109. Ramsay, Angela
110. Reed, Janai
111. Ricard, Craig
112. Rist, Matthew

113. Robertson, Kevin
114. Robinson, Ralph
115. Rollins, Mark
116. Rosendorf, Martin
117. Sample, John
118. Sapirstein, Lisbeth
119. Schrager, Seth
120. Scialpi, Errin
121. Serrano, Miguel
122. Simmons, Sellano
123. Smith, Anthony
124. Smith, Jr., Jerry
125. Stevens, Michelle (Gemma)
126. Sukumar, Shawn
127. Swaney, Julie Marie
128. Thom, Tammy
129. Thomas, Alvin
130. Thompson, Everaldo
131. Vaughan, Courtney
132. Wagner, Camille
133. Weathers, Sharon
134. Weletz, Carrie
135. Weller, Elizabeth (Betsy)
136. Winograd, Jesse
137. Ziadie, Lola
138. Zucker, Johnathan

**Provisional Panel Members:**

1. Amponsah, Oheneba ("Kofi") ##
2. Barrella, Nigel ##
3. Graham, Charvin ##
4. Hammad, Neveen #
5. Hanrahan, Jestelle###
6. Harris, Tonya ##
7. Hillmann, Alexander ##
8. Johnson, Ayana###
9. Kaplan, Martine #
10. Martorana, John ##
11. Mason, Jeremy #

12. Massey, Katherine###
13. McCliggott, Sean #
14. Noland-Conlow, William###
15. Okoli, Chimaeze\*\*
16. Rasheed, Veda###
17. Rollins, Cynthia ##
18. Roman, Laura ##
19. Russell, Kimberly\*\*
20. Ryan, James###
21. Valentine, James ##
22. Wilson, Julie #
23. Young, Christopher ##

#Provisional term expires March 2025

##Provisional term expires June 2026

###Provisional term expires September 2026