



FIFTH ADMINISTRATIVE JUDICIAL REGION OF TEXAS

**APPLICATION TO BE MAINTAINED ON LIST OF ATTORNEYS QUALIFIED FOR
APPOINTMENT IN DEATH PENALTY CASES**

I, _____, State Bar Card Number _____, request that the Local Selection Committee maintain my name on the list of attorneys qualified for appointment as:

lead trial counsel¹ **lead appellate counsel** **second chair** in death penalty cases.

Therefore, in compliance with the provisions of Article 26.052, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, I swear or affirm that I meet the following standards promulgated by the Local Selection Committee:

1. I am a member in good standing of the State Bar of Texas. **A letter of good standing from the State Bar of Texas dated within the 30 days prior to my application is attached.**
2. I remain qualified for appointment in death penalty cases pursuant to the Standards for Qualification of Attorneys for Appointment in Death Penalty Cases, as adopted and revised by the Local Selection Committee for the Fifth Administrative Judicial Region of Texas.
3. I have not been found by a federal or state court to have rendered ineffective assistance of counsel during the trial or appeal of any criminal case nor have I filed documents admitting that I have rendered ineffective assistance of counsel in any criminal case.
 I request a waiver of this requirement and have attached documentation in support of the request.
4. I have participated in the following continuing legal education courses or other training relating to criminal defense²:

Name of Course/Training	Name of Provider	Date Attended
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¹ Attorneys placed on list of attorneys qualified for appointment as lead trial counsel will also be placed on the list of attorneys qualified for appointment as second chair.

² Attorneys placed on the list for lead trial counsel and/or lead appellate counsel shall be required to obtain not less than six hours of continuing legal education specific to the defense of death penalty cases.

**A copy of my most recent Annual Verification Report from the State Bar of Texas-
Minimum Continuing Legal Education Department is attached.**

I certify that the above representations are true and correct and I make these representations in order to gain approval by the Local Administrative Judge of _____ County and the Presiding Judge of the Fifth Administrative Judicial Region of Texas to remain qualified for appointment as counsel in death penalty cases.

Signature of Affiant

Mailing Address

City/State/Zip

Office Telephone Number

Facsimile Number

E-mail Address

SWORN TO and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My commission expires: _____

**APPROVAL BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE
OF THE 5TH ADMINISTRATIVE JUDICIAL REGION OF TEXAS**

Having reviewed the application above, _____, Attorney at Law, State Bar No. _____ is hereby approved for appointment in this judicial region as counsel in death penalty cases, as indicated below, and the District Clerk of each county is hereby ordered to add the name of said counsel to the list of approved counsel for appointment in death penalty cases pursuant to Article 26.052 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure:

Counsel is approved for appointment as:

Appellate counsel Lead Trial Counsel Second Chair Counsel

Honorable J. Rolando Olvera, Presiding Judge
Fifth Administrative Judicial Region of Texas

Date

NOTE

TO APPLICANT:

For this application to be complete, you must include:

1. A letter of good standing from the State Bar of Texas dated within 30 days prior to your application;
2. A copy of your most recent Annual Verification Report from the State Bar of Texas-Minimum Continuing Legal Education Department

Placement on any list is for a period beginning January 1st or upon approval of an application, whichever is later and ending December 31st of the next year. Each applicant will be required to re-apply bi-annually on or before January 1st.