

AS A STATE OF TEXAS LICENSED ATTORNEY RESIDING IN CHAMBERS COUNTY OR PRACTICING LAW IN CHAMBERS COUNTY CRIMINAL COURTS AND RESIDING IN THE SECOND ADMINISTRATIVE REGION OF TEXAS YOU ARE ORDERED TO FULLY COMPLETE THIS AFFIDAVIT AND RETURN SAME TO THE CHAMBERS COUNTY COUNCIL OF JUDGES.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ORDER, WHICH IS NECESSARY FOR THE DUE AND PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, SHALL RESULT IN EXCLUSION FROM THE LIST OF ATTORNEYS ELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT BY THE JUDGES OF CHAMBERS COUNTY.

**AFFIDAVIT OF LICENSED ATTORNEY
RESIDING OR PRACTICING LAW
IN CHAMBERS COUNTY, TEXAS**

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF _____

I, _____ (Print name of attorney completing Affidavit), State Bar of Texas Number _____, do hereby file this affidavit in compliance with the Chambers County Plan and Standing Rules and Orders for Procedures for Timely and Fair Appointment of Counsel for Indigent Accused Persons in Chambers County, Texas for establishment of a list of eligible licensed attorneys to represent indigent accused persons in Chambers County, Texas and do solemnly swear or affirm that the below information is true and correct. Should any change in this information occur, I understand that I must within 30 days of such change file an Amended Affidavit of Licensed Attorney Residing or Practicing Law in Chambers County, Texas with the local administrative judge of the Chambers County District Courts at the Chambers County Courthouse in Anahuac, Texas who shall timely notify the County Judge of Chambers County Court of such filing.

I have checked below all applicable provisions and have completed the requested information below with full, complete, and true answers.

I A.

EXCLUSION FROM THE APPOINTMENT LIST

- I am requesting that my name NOT BE INCLUDED on the list of licensed attorneys eligible for court appointment in Chambers County, Texas for the following reason: (check all that apply)

 - I state, under oath, that I am not qualified to provide effective assistance of counsel in any criminal cases and will not accept employment to represent a defendant in any criminal case in Chambers County, Texas.

 - I state, under oath, that due to my employment with a governmental entity I am disqualified from representing indigent accused persons in County or State Courts in Chambers County, Texas.

 - I state, under oath, that I am retired or am not currently in the active practice of law.

 - I state, under oath, that the following is a good cause reason for my name not to be included on the list of licensed attorneys eligible for court appointment in Chambers County, Texas:
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Signed this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Attorney requesting exclusion

I B.

INCLUSION ON THE APPOINTMENT LIST

- I understand that my name WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR INCLUSION on the list of licensed attorneys eligible for court appointments in Chambers County, Texas, and I state, under oath or affirmation that I am a: (check all that apply)
- Competent licensed attorney to handle MISDEMEANOR criminal cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle APPEALS of MISDEMEANOR criminal cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle STATE JAIL FELONY criminal cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle THIRD DEGREE FELONY criminal cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle SECOND DEGREE FELONY criminal cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle FIRST DEGREE FELONY criminal cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle CAPITAL FELONY criminal cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle APPEALS of NON-CAPITAL FELONY cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle APPEALS of CAPITAL FELONY cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle JUVENILE cases.
- Competent licensed attorney to handle APPEALS of JUVENILE cases.

**II.
EDUCATIONAL AND C.L.E. BACKGROUND**

I certify that I have the following educational and Continuing Legal Educational background: (Check all that apply)

BASIC EDUCATION:

- High School Diploma
- Bachelor's Degree
- Law Degree
- Master's Degree
- Doctor of Philosophy Degree
- Medical Doctor Degree
- Other Advanced Degree

LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:

- Licensed to Practice Law in Texas by the Texas Supreme Court on:

_____, _____
Month Year

- I am currently a licensed attorney in good standing with the State of Texas and the Texas Supreme Court.
- I am also a licensed attorney in good standing to practice law in the State of _____.
- I have been admitted to practice law in the U.S. Federal District Courts for the _____ District of the State of _____.
- I have been admitted to practice law before the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- I have been admitted to practice law before the U.S. _____ Circuit Court of Appeals.
- I have been admitted to practice law before the United States Supreme Court.
- I have been certified as a specialist by the Board of Legal Specialization of the State Bar of Texas in the following areas of law:

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION:

- have attended the required number of hours for continuing legal education during the last reporting period as reported to the State of Bar of Texas.
- I have attended the Advanced Criminal Law Seminar sponsored by the State Bar of Texas for the following years:
- _____
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- I have attended C.L.E. programs dealing with criminal law issues during the following years:
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- I have attended C.L.E. programs dealing with juvenile law issues during the following years:
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- I have attended C.L.E. programs dealing only with non-criminal law areas and certify that I have not attended a C.L.E. program dealing with criminal law.
 - I have attended C.L.E. programs dealing with the use of and challenges to mental health or forensic expert witnesses. The most recent course attended was on the following date: _____.
 - I have attended C.L.E. programs or training relating to criminal defense in death penalty cases. The most recent course attended was on the following date: _____.
 - I have attended C.L.E. programs relating to investigating and presenting mitigating evidence at the penalty phase of death penalty trials. The most recent court attended was on the following date: _____.
 - I have attended C.L.E. programs relating to appeals of criminal cases. The most recent course attended was on the following date: _____.
 - I have attended C.L.E. programs relating to appeals of juvenile cases. The most recent course attended was on the following date: _____.
 - I am currently planning to attend the following C.L.E. courses in the next year:

OTHER EDUCATION, BACKGROUND, RESEARCH OR TRAINING IN CRIMINAL/ JUVENILE LAW AREA: (Please briefly describe)

(Attach a separate sheet if necessary for additional information)

**III.
CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE TRIAL/APPEALS EXPERIENCE**

I hereby certify, under oath, that the following is my experience in handling criminal/juvenile cases: (check all that apply)

- I have been lead counsel in three (3) or more misdemeanor cases.
- I have been lead counsel in one or more misdemeanor appeals.
- I have been lead counsel in three (3) or more juvenile cases.
- I have been lead counsel in one or more juvenile appeals.
- I have been lead counsel in three (3) or more non-capital felony cases.
- I have been co-counsel or sat second chair in three (3) or more non-capital felony cases.
- I have been lead counsel in one or more non-capital felony appeals.
- I have been lead counsel in one or more capital felony cases- death penalty waived.
- I have been lead counsel in one or more capital felony cases- death penalty sought.
- I have been lead co-counsel or sat second chair in one or more capital felony cases- death penalty waived.
- I have been lead co-counsel or sat second chair in one or more capital felony cases- death penalty sought.
- I have been lead counsel in one or more capital felony appeals- life sentence assessed.
- I have been lead counsel in one or more capital felony appeals- death penalty assessed.
- I have served a lead counsel in one or more capital felony 11.071 writ appeals.
- I have tried approximately _____ misdemeanor cases to JURY verdict.
- I have tried approximately _____ juvenile cases to JURY verdict.
- I have tried approximately _____ non-capital felony cases to JURY verdict.
- I have tried approximately _____ capital (death sought) felony cases to JURY verdict.
- I have filed approximately _____ appellate briefs in misdemeanor cases.
- I have filed approximately _____ appellate briefs in juvenile cases.
- I have filed approximately _____ appellate briefs in non-capital felony cases.

- I have filed approximately _____ appellate briefs in capital death penalty cases.
- I have filed approximately _____ 11.071 death penalty writ applications.
- Approximately _____ % of my law practice is devoted to Criminal Law.
- Approximately _____ % of my law practice is devoted to Juvenile Law.

**IV.
LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS**

I certify, under oath, that I am capable of communicating in the following languages:

- English
 - Spanish
 - Deaf- Sign Language
 - Other: (Specify)
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**V.
ETHICS AND PRIOR SANCTION HISTORY DISCLOSURE**

I certify, under oath, that I: (check only those that are true and correct)

- Have not been sanctioned by the State Bar of Texas for any ethical violation.

For purposes of this inquiry, "Sanctioned" is defined as disbarment, probation, public reprimand, suspended, fined, or such other State Bar of Texas sanction that is of public record.
- Have not been found by a trial judge and/or appellate court to have provided ineffective assistance of counsel.
 - Will comply with the State Bar Rules for Professional conduct.
 - Will comply with The Texas Lawyers Creed-A Mandate for Professionalism.

Will obtain copies and keep myself informed of the local rules of procedure for Chambers County, Texas.

VI.

**CERTIFICATION OF KNOWLEDGE OF
RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR TIMELY AND
FAIR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL FOR INDIGENT ACCUSED PERSONS IN
CHAMBERS COUNTY, TEXAS**

I certify, under oath, that I have read and understand the Procedures for timely and Fair Appointment of Counsel for Indigent Accused Persons set out in SB 7, effective January 1, 2002 and will comply with said law.

I certify, under oath, that I shall maintain an office with a phone which is answered by a receptionist or answering service from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (except for Chambers County holidays as set out in the official Chambers County calendar approved by the Chambers County Commissioner's Court) and which receptionist or answering service can promptly locate the attorney and notify said attorney of appointment or hearing setting. Court appointed counsel on the approved list must maintain a FAX number to which FAXES may be received 24 hours a day, seven days a week and/or an e-mail address. These numbers are as follows:

Address _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

Cell _____

E-mail address _____

I will give written notice of any change in these notification numbers to the Chambers County Judge and District Court Judges in Chambers County prior to change.

I acknowledge that I shall contact any accused person I am appointed to represent by the end of the first working day following notification of my appointment.

I acknowledge that I shall interview said accused person as soon as practicable.

I certify, under oath, that I will zealously represent my client but always within the bounds of law and legal ethics of Texas.

I understand that I must timely submit my bill for:

1. Indigent legal representation on the date a case is disposed of by a plea or bench trial; or
2. Indigent legal representation within 15 days of the date of judgment in a jury trial; or

3. Indigent appeal representation within 15 days of the date a mandate is returned on appeal.

I understand and acknowledge that failure to comply with these time requirements shall result in my waiver of right for such compensation and my services will have been performed PRO BONO.

I understand that I have a continuing duty to file an Amended Affidavit within 30 days of the date any of the information changes.

I hereby, have been sworn upon oath, depose, state, and certify that the above information is true and correct.

Witness my signature on this the _____ day of _____, 20__.

AFFIANT
Print Name: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the _____ day of _____, 20__.

NOTARY PUBLIC/PERSON AUTHORIZED
TO ADMINISTER OATHS
Print Name: _____
Capacity: _____

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