



**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**  
**Application to Serve on the Capital Case Panel**

Please return the completed application and a resume or curriculum vitae summarizing your legal education and professional experience to:

Betty Rayford, Criminal Director  
 Superior Court of California, County of Riverside  
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**A. CONTACT INFORMATION**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CA State Bar No.: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Firm: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Telephone numbers:  
 Daytime: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_
6. I am interested in appointments as  Lead Counsel  Associate Counsel  Both

**B. QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Bar Membership:
  - I am an active member of the State Bar of CA. Years of active bar membership: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of admission to the State Bar of CA: \_\_\_\_\_
  - I am certified by the State Bar of CA Board of Legal Specialization as a criminal law specialist.  
 Date certified as a criminal law specialist: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Disclosures:
  - a. Have you ever been disciplined by the State Bar of CA or by a bar association or other professional licensing entity in any state or by a court of record, including being sanctioned or being held in contempt?  
 YES  NO
  - b. Do you have any disciplinary action pending against you by the State Bar of CA or by a bar association or other professional licensing entity in any state or by a court of record, including any proceeding for the imposition of sanctions for contempt?  
 YES  NO
  - c. Have you ever been convicted or pleaded no contest to a felony or misdemeanor?  
 YES  NO
  - d. Are you a defendant in any pending felony or misdemeanor proceeding?  
 YES  NO

If you answered Yes to any of the above questions, please provide an explanation:

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e. List all judgments adverse to you within the last ten (10) years:

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f. List any currently pending litigation to which you are a party:

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**C. TRIAL EXPERIENCE**

1. Lead Counsel Applicants:

a. Do you have at least 10 years of criminal litigation experience?  YES  NO

b. Have you acted as lead counsel in at least 10 serious or violent felony jury trials, including at least 2 murder cases, tried to argument, verdict, or final judgment?  YES  NO

c. Have you acted as lead counsel in at least 5 serious or violent felony jury trials, including at least 3 murder cases, tried to argument, verdict, or final judgment?  YES  NO

2. Associate Counsel Applicants:

a. Do you have at least 3 years of criminal litigation experience  YES  NO

b. Have you acted as lead counsel in at least 10 felony jury trials tried to verdict, including 3 serious or violent felony jury trials tried to argument, verdict, or final judgment?  YES  NO

c. Have you acted as lead counsel in at least 3 serious or violent felony jury trials, tried to argument, verdict, or final judgment?  YES  NO

d. Have you acted as lead or associate counsel in at least 5 serious or violent felony jury trials, including at least 1 murder case, tried to argument, verdict, or final judgment?  YES  NO

3. Describe your experience in the use of expert witnesses and evidence, including psychiatric and forensic evidence.

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4. Have you ever received an appointment as counsel (lead or associate) in a death penalty case within Riverside County?  YES  NO

If Yes, please provide the case number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

3. List any death penalty trials in which you acted as lead or associate counsel. Specify the case name, case number, county, judicial officer, and whether you were lead or associate counsel.

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**D. CONTINUING EDUCATION**

1. Have you completed within the last two years at least 15 hours of capital defense training approved for MCLE by the State Bar of CA?  YES  NO

2. Please describe any other capital defense training you have completed.

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I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the contents of this application are true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF APPLICANT)

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(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)