

**APPLICATION FOR COUNTY PANEL
OF ATTORNEYS FOR CHILDREN**

County

Name of Applicant _____

Firm Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Telephone _____ **Fax** _____

E-mail Address _____

NY Bar Admission Date _____ **Attorney Registration #** _____

Department _____

1. I am currently registered and in good standing with the Office of Court Administration as required by Section 468-a of the Judiciary Law (having paid all biennial fees as required). Yes No

2. I have an office and/or residence in panel county. Yes No

3. I have attended "Fundamentals of Law Guardian Advocacy" or "Introduction to Effective Representation of Children". Yes No

Date _____

4. Have you ever

a. Been charged with or convicted of any crime? Yes No

If yes, please state particulars and indicate the status thereof.

b. Been sanctioned or held in contempt by any court? Yes No

If yes, please state particulars.

c. Had an order of protection issued against you? Yes No

If yes, please state particulars.

d. Been notified that you are the subject as a parent or person responsible for the care of a child of any indicated report to the Statewide Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment?

Yes No

If yes, please state particulars and indicate the status thereof.

e. Been suspended, removed or asked to resign from any assigned counsel plan or attorney for the child panel?

Yes No

If yes, please state particulars.

f. Been notified by an attorney grievance committee that you are the subject of any complaint or disciplinary proceeding or that you are the subject of any professional discipline?

Yes No

If yes, please state particulars.

5. I have participated as counsel of record or as co-counsel with a mentor in:

(1) A juvenile delinquency or person in need of supervision proceeding entitled

in _____ County Family Court;

(2) A child abuse, child neglect, or termination of parental rights proceeding entitled

in _____ County Family Court;

(3) A custody or visitation proceeding entitled

in _____ County Family Court;

and have participated in or observed two hearings in Family Court at which testimony was taken entitled

in _____ County Family Court; and

in _____ County Family Court.

6. I was previously a member of the panel of attorneys for children in _____ County from _____ until _____

7. I have the following additional training and experience related to service as an attorney for the child:

8. I authorize the Committee on Professional Standards of the Third Judicial Department, or any other judicial department or grievance committee, to share with the Office of Attorneys for Children for the Third Judicial Department, any information relative to me as an attorney.

9. I certify that the foregoing information is true and correct

Name (please print)

Signature

Date: _____

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

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Action by Family Court Judge

_____ I have determined that the applicant has met both the training and experience requirements for designation as an attorney for the child pursuant to § 835.2 (a) (1) (ii) and (iii) of the rules of the Appellate Division, Third Department, and hereby approve the application and recommend that the applicant be added to the panel of attorneys for children for this county.

_____ I have determined that the applicant has met the experience requirement for designation as an attorney for the child pursuant to § 835.2 (a) (1) (iii) of the rules of the Appellate Division, Third Department, and hereby approve the application and recommend that the applicant be added to the panel of attorneys for children for this county, subject to the requirement that the applicant attend the Introduction to Effective Representation of Children seminar within the first year of panel membership.

_____ I hereby defer action on the application, refer the applicant to _____ as mentor, and direct that a copy of this application be forwarded to the Appellate Division's Office of Attorneys for Children.

_____ I hereby deny the application for the following reasons:

Dated: _____ Signature: _____

Approval of Deferred Application:

Having previously deferred action on the application, I have now determined that the applicant has met the training and experience requirements for designation as a panel member pursuant to § 835.2 (a) (1) of the rules of the Appellate Division, Third Department, and hereby approve the application and recommend that the applicant be added to the panel of attorneys for children for this county.

Dated: _____ Signature: _____