

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 21-03**

Additions to the Criminal Justice Act Panel of Attorneys

WHEREAS, by Administrative Order 18-04, issued on May 14, 2018, the Chief Judge re-established the CJA Panel for a four year period of time, as required by Administrative Order 09-07; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Order 18-04 provided that Provisional Members previously appointed 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; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Order 09-07 ordered that, between periods of re-establishment, the Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys (“Committee”) shall accept, at any time, applications to the Panels from qualified attorneys, and make recommendation to the Chief Judge, to add such qualified attorneys to any Panel as the Committee deems appropriate in accordance with the needs of the Court, reserving the right to act expeditiously with regard to any application, while deferring action with regard to any other application; and

WHEREAS, by Orders issued March 18 and 19, May 14, June 19, August 13, and November 5, 2020 and January 13, 2021, the Chief Judge declared a judicial emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and ordered that all deadlines and time limits in Criminal Division statutes, court rules, and standing and other orders issued by the Court that would otherwise expire before March 31, 2021, including indictment deadlines and trial deadlines, pursuant to D.C. Code §§ 23-102, 23-1322(h), and 24-801, are suspended, tolled, and extended and may be further suspended, tolled, and extended as circumstances change; and

WHEREAS, while the Criminal Division issued 60 day written notice of its intent to resume a limited number of jury trials on January 15, 2021, the ability of Provisional Members to fulfill the prerequisite for application to the Full Panel of serving as lead counsel or second-chair in two jury trials will remain limited given the need to restrict the number of individuals physically present in the trial courtroom; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has reviewed and considered all requests for extension of Provisional term that would otherwise have expired, and recommended names of attorneys to be extended as Provisional Members; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has reviewed and considered applications warranting expedited consideration, followed its procedures for evaluating applications, and recommended names of attorneys to be appointed to the CJA Panel as Provisional Members; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge is satisfied that the recommendations of the Committee with respect to the attorneys to be placed on the CJA Panel have been made after careful study and consideration of each attorney and should be accepted in their entirety without change; 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 new applications to the CJA Panel may be held in abeyance pending expiration of the declaration of judicial emergency; and it is further

ORDERED, that attorneys are appointed or extended as Provisional Members of the CJA Panel as re-established by Administrative Order 18-04 as set forth in the attached list; and it is further

ORDERED, that, absent suspension or removal, an extended Provisional attorney remaining on the Provisional Panel may submit an earlier application to the Full Panel and shall receive six-months' notice from Committee prior to the expiration of the extended Provisional term, at which time the attorney must submit an application to the Full Panel, provided that the attorney has represented a defendant in at least two felony jury trials, as lead counsel or second chair; and it is further

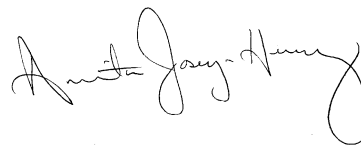
ORDERED, that, absent suspension or removal, an attorney hereby extended or appointed to the Provisional Panel is appointed until the date of re-establishment of the Panel in 2022, at which time the attorney must submit an application for reappointment, pending the determination of which the attorney may remain a CJA Panel member; and it is further

ORDERED, that an attorney's membership on the CJA Panel is conditioned upon 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 this Order shall take effect on the 22nd of March, 2021.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT
DATE: March 22, 2021



Anita Josey-Herring
Chief Judge

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**CJA IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
EXTENSION AND ADDITIONS TO THE CJA PANEL**

PROVISIONAL PANEL MEMBERS

1. Jason Pyzel (effective July 6, 2021)

PROVISIONAL PANEL MEMBERS with term originally expiring in March 2021

1. Nicole Cubbage
2. Brittany Kerr
3. Kelsey Phipps