SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 15-06

Appointment of Attorneys to the Criminal Justice Act Panel

WHEREAS, by Administrative Order 14-09, issued on May 23, 2014, 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 09-07 ordered that, between periods of reestablishment, the CJA Panel Implementation Committee ("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, Administrative Order 14-09 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, the Committee has reviewed and considered all applications submitted between January 13, 2014 and February 6, 2015, submitted its report on its procedures for evaluating applications, and recommended names of attorneys to be appointed to the CJA Panel as Full and Provisional Members; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge is satisfied that the recommendations of the CJA Panel Implementation Committee with respect to the attorneys to be placed on the CJA Panel have been made after careful study and consideration of each attorney eligible to be considered 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 the attached list shall encompass additions to the CJA Panel, as reestablished by Administrative Order 14-09, and attorneys listed are appointed as Full or Provisional Members as set forth in the attached list; and it is further

ORDERED, that, absent suspension or removal, the attorneys hereby appointed to the Full Panel are appointed for a period of four years, or until the date of re-establishment of the Panel, whichever is shorter, at which time they must submit an application for reappointment, pending the determination of which they may remain CJA Panel members; and it is further

ORDERED, that newly-appointed Provisional Attorneys are appointed for a term not to exceed two years during which they must apply to be a Full Member provided that (1) the attorney represents a defendant in at least two felony jury trials, as lead counsel or second chair, and (2) the CJA Implementation Committee, in consultation with the CJA Panel Advisory Committee, recommends the attorney for appointment as a Full Member; and it is further

ORDERED, that an attorney's membership on the CJA Panel is conditioned upon his or her 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, issued on January 15, 2010; and it is further

ORDERED, that newly-appointed attorneys are eligible to receive court appointments upon notification by the CJA Panel Advisory Committee to the Chairperson of the CJA Panel Committee Implementation Committee that the attorney has received the necessary training; and it is further

ORDERED, that any eligible attorney who submitted an application between January 13, 2014 and February 6, 2015 and who was not appointed to the CJA Panel must wait 18 months from the date of this order or until the date of re-establishment of the Panel, whichever is shorter, to reapply to the Panel; and it is further

ORDERED, that this order shall take effect immediately.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT.

DATE: March 26, 2015

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Lee F. Satterfield Chief Judge

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ATTACHMENT

CJA IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADDITIONS TO THE CJA PANEL

FULL PANEL MEMBERS

- 1. Steven Ogilvie
- 2. Nicola Zahara

PROVISIONAL PANEL MEMBERS

- 1. Morgan Blackledge
- 2. Fareed Hayat
- 3. Daniel Kovler
- 4. Sweta Patel
- 5. Craig Ricard