

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 23-27**

**Re-establishment of Family Court Attorney Panels**

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 09-07, issued on June 12, 2009, established a procedure for selecting attorneys to serve on Family Court Panels to represent parties in juvenile delinquency cases, abuse and neglect cases, and other Family Court matters; and

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 13-07, issued on April 15, 2013, established a procedure for selecting attorneys to serve on the Family Court Panel for Special Education, called for a review of attorneys qualified to receive appointments in mental health and mental habilitation cases, and extended the provisional category to all Family Court Panels; and

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 22-09, issued on June 24, 2022, established a procedure for selecting attorneys to serve on the Post-Commitment Juvenile Attorney Family Court Panel to represent post-commitment youth; and

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 09-07, issued on June 12, 2009, directed the Family Court to re-establish its attorney panels in 2011 and every four years thereafter; and

**WHEREAS**, by Administrative Order 23-12, issued on July 3, 2023, the Chief Judge ordered the re-establishment of all Family Court Panels and required that all attorneys seeking to become or remain members of the Family Court Panels were to file an application with the Court; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicants submitted their applications and supporting materials to the Family Court Panels Committee no later than August 29, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, applicants stating fluency in the Spanish language as a qualification were evaluated through the Office of Court Interpreting Services to determine their degree of linguistic proficiency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Family Court Panel Committee submitted to the Chief Judge its Final Report on its procedures for evaluating applications, and recommended names of attorneys eligible for appointment as counsel to parties in neglect and related proceedings (CCAN Panel); appointment as guardians *ad litem* (GAL Panel); appointment as special education attorneys (SPED Panel); appointment as counsel in juvenile delinquency cases (Juvenile Panel); appointment as counsel in mental health proceedings (Mental Health Panel); appointment as counsel in mental habilitation cases (Mental Habilitation Panel); appointment as counsel for post-committed youth (Post-Commitment Juvenile Youth Panel) and as provisional members for each Family Court Panel mentioned here; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Judge is satisfied that the recommendations of the Family Court Panel Committee with respect to the attorneys to be placed on the Family Court Attorney Panels

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 the Family Court Attorney Panels to be reconstituted at this time;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,**

**ORDERED**, that absent suspension or removal, the attorneys listed in the attached appendices for GAL, CCAN, SPED, Juvenile, Post-Commitment Youth, Mental Health and Mental Habilitation Panels are appointed to the designated panel(s) for a period of four (4) years, at which time they must submit an application for reappointment, pending the determination of which they may remain a member of the relevant panel(s), and if reappointed, every four (4) years thereafter; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that the attorneys identified as provisional for each panel will be eligible to accept appointments as counsel, provided they have satisfied the relevant pre-service training requirements described below, for one (1) year, at which time they must apply to become full members of any Family Court Panel for the remaining years of the term, pending the determination of which they may retain their provisional status; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that attorneys selected for the first time or as provisional in neglect and related proceedings will complete training prior to appointment, as set forth in Administrative Order 03-07, issued on February 28, 2003; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that attorneys selected for the first time or as provisional for the Juvenile Panel will complete training prior to appointment, as set forth in Administrative Order 04-13, issued on June 30, 2004; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that attorneys selected for the first time or as provisional for the SPED Panel will complete training prior to appointment, as set forth in Administrative Order 09-03, issued on January 21, 2009; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that attorneys selected for the first time or as provisional for the Mental Health Panel will complete training prior to appointment, as set forth in Administrative Order 15-16, issued on September 11, 2015; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that attorneys selected for the first time or as provisional for the Mental Habilitation Panel will complete training prior to appointment, as set forth in Administrative Order 15-17, issued on September 11, 2015; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that attorneys selected for the first time or as provisional for the Post-Commitment Juvenile Panel will complete training prior to appointment, as set forth in Administrative Order 22-09, issued on June 24, 2022; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that effective this date, judicial officers of the Superior Court, when appointing counsel in any pertinent Family Court case, shall appoint only attorneys listed on the pertinent Family Court Panel if counsel is seeking compensation under the Criminal Justice Act (CJA) or compensation under the Child Abuse and Neglect Act (CCAN), except as provided below; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that nothing herein shall affect the authority of a judicial officer to appoint a CCAN Panel attorney as a GAL when necessary to meet the needs of the Family Court; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that in all instances when a non-Panel attorney is appointed, the judicial officer making the appointment shall do so by a written order issued at the time of appointment setting forth in detail the particular exceptional circumstances requiring appointment of a non-Panel attorney in the case; and, further, that without such an Order detailing the particular circumstances requiring appointment of a non-Panel attorney in the case, a voucher shall not be issued, and payment shall not be made for work on the case; rather the attorney shall be deemed to have done the work *pro bono publico*; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that it is hereby established as a goal that as soon as practicable, but in any event no later than six (6) months from the date of this order, judicial officers presiding over neglect and related proceedings in which the GALs are compensated from CCAN funds, but are not on the GAL Panel, shall replace the GAL with a GAL Panel attorney or a CCAN Panel attorney if necessary to meet the needs of the Family Court, unless to do so is not in the best interest of the child; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that it is hereby established as a goal that within six (6) months from the date of this order, judicial officers presiding over neglect and related proceedings in which attorneys represent interested parties and are compensated from CCAN funds, but are not on either the GAL or CCAN Panel, shall replace counsel with an appropriate Panel attorney, unless to do so is not in the interests of justice; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that it is hereby established as a goal that within six (6) months from the date of this order, judicial officers presiding over juvenile, mental health and mental habilitation cases in which attorneys represent interested parties and are compensated from CJA/CCAN funds but are not members of the corresponding Family Court Panel, shall replace counsel with an appropriate Panel attorney, unless to do so is not in the interests of justice; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that an exception to the rule precluding the appointment of attorneys who are not on the applicable Family Court Panel shall be made for attorneys appointed by the Court of Appeals in a pending appeal in post-appellate proceedings on remand before the trial court; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that an attorney's membership on the Panel(s) 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 applicable Attorney Practice Standards for Child Abuse and Neglect, adopted by Administrative Order 03-

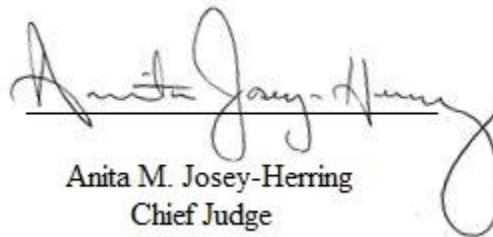
07; Attorney Practice Standards for Representing Juveniles Charged with Delinquency, adopted by Administrative Order 04-13; Attorney Practice Standards for Special Education Panel Attorneys, adopted by Administrative Order 09-03; Standards of Practice for Mental Health Attorneys, adopted by Administrative Order 15-16; and/or Standards of Practice for Mental Habilitation Attorneys, adopted by Administrative Order 15-17; it is further

**ORDERED**, that attorneys who filed applications for the 2023 re-establishment, but were not selected to the Panels, must wait for the 2027 re-establishment to reapply; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that the Family Court Panels Committee will continue to receive and review applications for any Family Court Panel, as previously directed in Administrative Order 09-07, and any other Panel that might need new applicants that the Committee deems appropriate based on the needs of the Court; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that the effective date of this order is January 3, 2024.

**SO ORDERED.**



Anita M. Josey-Herring  
Chief Judge

Date: December 4, 2023

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## GAL

Abebe	Meti	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Bauer	Allison K.	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Braxton	Cathy Ann	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Browne	Sabine	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Christian	Tamara Mcdowell	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Clark	Margaret Mary	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Coates	Tracey	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Daniel	Deborah Cason	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Daniels	Carolyn	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Davenport	Anthony Richard	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Davis	Danielle L.	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Del Cuadro-Zimmerman	Judith Anna	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Desjardins	Jamie Lauren	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Duncan	Glen C.	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Epstein	Jenny Elizabeth	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Feezor	Charles	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Garner	Keisha	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Henry	Murphy Bonita	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Imoisili	Abimbola	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Jemmott	Adriane Catherine	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Jose, Jr.	Joseph William	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Katz	Judith	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Khadilkar	Sonali	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Krell	Jonathan Matthew	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Moore	Janice L.	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Murnane	Andrew William	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Oladokun	Adejumoke G.	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Osakwe	Lucy Vera	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Patel	Kirti	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Pereira	Brittany	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Ricchiuto	Rosemarie	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Rode	Amrutha	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Ross	Charles	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Roth	Pamela H.	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Rubin	Dana	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Singh	Sharon	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Skillman	Phillip	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Tapia	Barrie Lynn	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Taylor	Maureen	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Thorpe	Robyn	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Woodman Jr.	Ronald G.	FAMILY GAL	Panel
Wynn-Euell	Beverli Beth Varner	FAMILY GAL	Panel

## CCAN

Abebe	Meti	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Bauer	Allison K.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Braxton	Cathy Ann	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Browne	Sabine	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Cabezas	Marco Antonio	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Chandler	Cindy	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Christian	Tamara Mcdowell	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Clark	Margaret Mary	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Colbert	Ronald	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Daniel	Deborah Cason	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Daniels	Carolyn	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Davenport	Anthony Richard	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
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Duncan	Glen C.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Epstein	Jenny Elizabeth	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Feezor	Charles	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Garner	Keisha	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Hayes	David	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Henry	Murphy Bonita	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Imoisili	Abimbola	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Jacobs	Gary Phillips	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Jemmott	Adriane Catherine	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Jimoh	Bashiru A.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Jones	Jezel	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Jose, Jr.	Joseph William	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Katz	Judith	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Khadilkar	Sonali	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Kidanemariam	Fekadeselassie	FAMILY CCAN	Provisional
Licata	Lori	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Moore	Janice L.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Murnane	Andrew William	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Nair	Madhavan K.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Oladokun	Adejumoke G.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Osakwe	Lucy Vera	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Patel	Kirti	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Pereira	Brittany	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Ricchiuto	Rosemarie	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Rode	Amrutha	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Roth	Pamela H.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Rubin	Dana	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Schiff	Steven H.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Singh	Sharon	FAMILY CCAN	Panel

## CCAN

Skillman	Phillip	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Susskind	Ethan Max	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Tapia	Barrie Lynn	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Thorpe	Robyn	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Williams	Eric	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Woodman Jr.	Ronald G.	FAMILY CCAN	Panel
Wynn-Euell	Beverli Beth Varner	FAMILY CCAN	Panel

## SPECIAL EDUCATION

Barnett	Iris Sokolow	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Belle	Ifetayo	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Boehm- Russell	Stacey	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Braxton	Cathy Ann	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Christian	Tamara Mcdowell	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Clark	Margaret Mary	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Coates	Tracey	FAMILY SPEC ED	Provisional
Cochran	Keli	FAMILY SPEC ED	Provisional
Comeau	Sarah L.	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Davenport	Anthony Richard	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Davis	Danielle L.	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Hillman	Alexander	FAMILY SPEC ED	Provisional
Imoisili	Abimbola	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Jemmott	Adriane Catherine	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Licata	Lori	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Margulies	Howard S.	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Mascagni	Coury	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Minix	Madison	FAMILY SPEC ED	Provisional
Murnane	Andrew William	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Oladokun	Adejumoke G.	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Osakwe	Lucy Vera	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Ostrem	Nicholas	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Pereira	Brittany	FAMILY SPEC ED	Provisional
Ricchiuto	Rosemarie	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Riller-Givens	Tracy	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Rode	Amrutha	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Ross	Charles	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Roth	Pamela H.	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Thackray	Sophie	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel
Williams	Eric	FAMILY SPEC ED	Panel



## JUVENILE

Ali	Khadijah Rahshidah	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Brown	Bryan	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Cochran	Keli	FAMILY DEL	Provisional
Davis	Danielle L.	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Ferrer	Eduardo Raul	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Harris	Geoffrey Oscar	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Henning	Kristin Nicole	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Hillman	Alexander	FAMILY DEL	Provisional
Howe	Shippen	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Imoisili	Abimbola	FAMILY DEL	Provisional
Jones	Jezel	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Kassees	Kevin S.	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Khadilkar	Sonali	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Margulies	Howard S.	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Mascagni	Coury	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Mount	William	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Nair	Madhavan K.	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Opaigbeogu	Chiemeka	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Orlow	Lisa H.	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Osakwe	Lucy Vera	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Pereira	Brittany	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Rode	Amrutha	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Schrager	Seth Lee	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Skillman	Phillip	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Swaney	Julie Marie	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Wade	Lydia A.	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Wall	Charles	FAMILY DEL	Panel
Williams	Eric	FAMILY DEL	Panel

## POST COMMITMENT

Bowles	Alexandria	FAMILY POSC	Provisional
Braxton	Cathy Ann	FAMILY POSC	Provisional
Clark	Margaret Mary	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Cochran	Keli	FAMILY POSC	Provisional
Davis	Danielle L.	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Ferrer	Eduardo Raul	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Henning	Kristin Nicole	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Jordan	Rondell	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Kassees	Kevin S.	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Louchheim	Whitney Trevelyan	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Margulies	Howard S.	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Ngu	Raymond	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Rode	Amrutha	FAMILY POSC	Panel
Williams	Eric	FAMILY POSC	Panel

## MENTAL HEALTH

Bauer	Allison K.	FAMILY MH	Panel
Blackwood	Larry Banks	FAMILY MH	Panel
Braxton	Cathy Ann	FAMILY MH	Panel
Browne	Sabine	FAMILY MH	Panel
Christian	Tamara Mcdowell	FAMILY MH	Panel
Clark	Margaret Mary	FAMILY MH	Panel
Colbert	Ronald	FAMILY MH	Provisional
Connelly	John Joseph	FAMILY MH	Panel
Daniel	Deborah Cason	FAMILY MH	Panel
Davenport	Anthony Richard	FAMILY MH	Panel
Downs	April	FAMILY MH	Panel
Ellern-Feldman	Lisa	FAMILY MH	Panel
Garner	Keisha	FAMILY MH	Panel
Haney	Dorene	FAMILY MH	Panel
Henry	Murphy Bonita	FAMILY MH	Panel
Jones	Jezel	FAMILY MH	Panel
Katz	Judith	FAMILY MH	Panel
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Mitchell	Ronald	FAMILY MH	Panel
Mount	William	FAMILY MH	Panel
Oladokun	Adejumoke G.	FAMILY MH	Provisional
Patel	Kirti	FAMILY MH	Panel
Pereira	Brittany	FAMILY MH	Panel
Resnick	Marc	FAMILY MH	Panel
Ricchiuto	Rosemarie	FAMILY MH	Panel
Rode	Amrutha	FAMILY MH	Panel
Roth	Pamela H.	FAMILY MH	Panel
Schiff	Steven H.	FAMILY MH	Panel
Schultz	Corinne	FAMILY MH	Panel
Skillman	Phillip	FAMILY MH	Panel
Thorpe	Robyn	FAMILY MH	Panel
Williams	Eric	FAMILY MH	Panel
Woodman Jr.	Ronald G.	FAMILY MH	Panel
Wynn-Euell	Beverli Beth Varner	FAMILY MH	Panel

## MENTAL HABILITATION

Bernstein	Sandra	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Canty	Charles	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Crane	Samantha	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Curtis	Joel Robert	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Daniels	Carolyn	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Gutterman	Herbert	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Imoisili	Abimbola	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Jacobs	Gary Phillips	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Jemmott	Adriane Catherine	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Jose, Jr.	Joseph William	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Kunnirickal	Isaac	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Mitchell	Ronald	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Moore	Janice L.	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Mount	William	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Murnane	Andrew William	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Oladokun	Adejumoke G.	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Resnick	Marc	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Rode	Amrutha	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Schiff	Steven H.	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Toth	Richard	FAMILY MHAB	Panel
Woodman Jr.	Ronald G.	FAMILY MHAB	Panel