

For Connecticut Law Journals of February 5, 2013 and February 12, 2013

**PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION AGREEMENTS
FOR HANDLING**

CASES ASSIGNMENTS IN:

CRIMINAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURTS STATEWIDE

CRIMINAL GEOGRAPHICAL AREA COURTS:

GA 9 – Middletown
GA 14 – Hartford
GA 15 – New Britain
GA 19 – Rockville
GA 20 – Norwalk
GA 22 – Ansonia/Milford
GA 23 – New Haven

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Stamford Juvenile Delinquency
Torrington Juvenile Delinquency

CHILD PROTECTION COURTS

Rockville Child Protection
Torrington Child Protection
Willimantic Child Protection

STATE-RATE ATTORNEY FOR MINOR CHILD / GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Ansonia/Milford State-Rate AMC/GAL
Litchfield State-Rate AMC/GAL
Norwich State-Rate AMC/GAL
Windham State-Rate AMC/GAL

FAMILY CONTEMPT AND PATERNITY

Litchfield Family Contempt and Paternity
Waterbury Family Contempt and Paternity

The Public Defender Services Commission is interested in entering into written agreements with attorneys to represent indigent persons in the above listed matters. Such agreements will cover the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Compensation will be as follows:

FLAT RATE COMPENSATION

CRIMINAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASES
CRIMINAL GEOGRAPHICAL AREA CASES

\$1,000 per case
\$350 per case

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY CASES	\$350 per case
CHILD PROTECTION CASES	\$500 per case
ATTORNEY FOR MINOR CHILD / GUARDIAN AD LITEM	\$500 per case
FAMILY CONTEMPT AND PATERNITY	TBD

HOURLY COMPENSATION

\$75 per hour for Felony cases
 \$50 per hour for Misdemeanor cases
 \$50 per hour for Child Protection cases

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PRACTICE AREAS

JUDICIAL DISTRICT APPLICANTS

Attorneys approved as Assigned Counsel for assignments in Judicial District courts will represent criminal defendants in cases charged as A or B felonies. These cases may also have companion matters with Violation of Probation charges or companion Geographical Area cases pending. Applicants should be active in criminal matters, have at least two years litigation experience, and have tried at least two felony jury trials to verdict as lead counsel.

GEOGRAPHICAL AREA APPLICANTS

Attorneys approved as Assigned Counsel for assignments in Geographical Area courts will represent criminal defendants in misdemeanor cases and felony cases (C and below). Applicants should possess a working knowledge of the criminal statutes, practice book, diversionary programs, and alternatives to incarceration.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY APPLICANTS

Attorneys approved as Assigned Counsel for juvenile delinquency matters will represent children charged with criminal and Family with Services Needs offenses in Superior Court for Juvenile Matters. Applicants should possess working knowledge of the criminal and juvenile statutes, practice book, and should be familiar with programs and services available in juvenile court.

CHILD PROTECTION APPLICANTS

Attorneys approved as Assigned Counsel for assignments in child protection matters will represent children and indigent parents in juvenile court matters dealing with abuse, neglect and termination of parental rights. Attorneys may also be appointed as guardian ad litem. The cases may also involve matters transferred from Probate Court and adoptions. Applicants will be required to participate in pre service training and should possess general knowledge of the child protection statutes, the administration and policies of the Department of Children and Families.

STATE-RATE ATTORNEY FOR MINOR CHILD / GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Attorneys approved as Assigned Counsel in state-rate attorney for minor child / guardian ad litem cases in family court will represent children in family matters as appointed by the court. Applicants must have completed the statutorily required AMC/GAL training and possess a working knowledge of family court proceedings.

FAMILY CONTEMPT AND PATERNITY

Attorneys approved as Assigned Counsel in Family Contempt and Paternity cases will represent indigent contemnors in child support matters and putative fathers in cases where paternity is at issue. Applicants should have experience in criminal or family court litigations and possess a working knowledge of the support enforcement policies and guidelines.

Attorneys interested in such agreements should download the application form from the public defender web site:

<http://www.ct.gov/ocpd/site/default.asp>

Applications must be sent by email to the address below:

OCPD.AC.APPLICATIONS@JUD.CT.GOV

Do not attempt to submit applications via US mail or fax, they will not be accepted.

All applications must be received no later than March 1, 2013.