

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT**
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The Criminal Justice Act Committee of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit is accepting applications for service on the Court's Criminal Justice Act Panel. CJA Panel Members represent indigent criminal defendants and petitioners for *habeas corpus*.

Admission to practice before this Court is a necessary qualification for membership on the Panel. The Court seeks attorneys of superior experience and proven competence in federal appellate criminal defense work. The qualifications of attorneys applying for service on the Panel will be examined by the CJA Committee's Attorney Advisory Group, which will make recommendations for membership on the Panel. Membership on the Panel will be for a term of one to three years, at the discretion of the Court. Attorneys currently serving on the panel need not reapply until the expiration of their present term.

Application forms for membership on the Criminal Justice Act Panel are available at the Court's website at www.ca2.uscourts.gov, or by calling 212-857-8702.

A signed original application, one copy of each of your appellate briefs, and three paper copies of the completed application and your resumé, along with a CD containing both your completed applications and resumé, must be received by the Clerk of Court **by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2026.**

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