UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT – ATTORNEY APPLICATION

**DEATH PENALTY HABEAS CASES**

This questionnaire and application is to be completed by attorneys who wish to apply to the Court under the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act Plan to represent state inmates sentenced to death in federal habeas proceedings in this Court.

**1. FULL NAME:**

 OFFICE ADDRESS (including name of law firm):

 Office Telephone: ( )

 Office Fax: ( )

 E-mail:

**2. LAW SCHOOL/DATE OF GRADUATION:**

**3. BAR ADMISSIONS (Please list each court and year of admission:**

**4. DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

 (a) Have you ever been the subject of a disciplinary action by any court?

 Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

 (b) Are you the subject of any pending disciplinary proceedings?

 Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, please explain in detail the circumstances of any disciplinary action(s) in which you were charged, and the result. With respect to any pending disciplinary charge(s), please describe the procedural posture of the pending proceeding(s) and the anticipated date of its disposition.

**5. PRACTICE BACKGROUND**

Have you ever been employed as a full-time prosecutor, public defender, or law clerk to a judge or justice?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, please describe the position, the name of your employer, and the approximate dates of employment.

**6. EXPERIENCE**

 (a) How many years of felony trial and/or appellate experience do you have?

(b) Approximately how many felony cases have you tried to verdict? Please specify which courts:

(c) Approximately how many felony cases have you appealed? Please specify which courts:

(d) Approximately how many civil cases have you tried to verdict? Please specify which courts:

(e) Approximately how many civil cases have you appealed? Please specify which courts:

(f) Have you had trial experience in a state or federal death penalty case?

 Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please describe each of the death penalty cases in which you have had trial experience.

(g) Have you had any appellate (other than habeas) experience in state or federal death penalty cases?

 Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please describe any appellate experience you have had in state or federal death penalty cases.

(h) Approximately how many habeas corpus cases with a person under a sentence of death have you handled in federal court? Please specify which courts and briefly summarize your involvement with the case.

**7. CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION**

Please briefly describe any continuing legal education experience or training you might have had relating to habeas relief and/or death penalty cases.

**8. EXTENT OF REPRESENTATION**

Are you willing to represent petitioners under a sentence of death proceeding for habeas relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, § 2254, or § 2255?

 Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to represent defendants wherein the U.S. Attorney seeks death penalty certification or indictments?

 Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

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 Signature of Applicant

 Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**For Selection Use Only:**

**Applicant Accepted\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Rejected\_\_\_\_\_**

**Comments:**