

# Application to Serve as Temporary Judge

## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SONOMA

Please return completed Application to: Sarah Lindo, Court Operations Manager  
600 Administration Drive, Rm. 105-J  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

### 1. Contact Information

- a. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ b. California State Bar number:
- c. Business address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_
- d. E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Telephones:  
Daytime: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Areas of Interest

- a. I am willing to serve as a court-appointed temporary judge in the following types of cases (*describe*):

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- b. I am available to serve at the following times:

- ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon ☐ Evening  
☐ Days: ☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday  
☐ Saturday  
☐ Assignments on short notice  
☐ Other (*describe*): \_\_\_\_\_

- c. I am willing to serve at the following court locations:

- ☐ All court locations.  
☐ The following locations only: \_\_\_\_\_

- d. I am not available to serve as follows (*describe and explain*): \_\_\_\_\_

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### 3. Professional and Personal Qualifications

- a. Date of admission to the State Bar of California: \_\_\_\_\_ Years of active membership: \_\_\_\_\_

- b. ☐ I am also admitted to practice law in the states listed below:

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Date admitted: \_\_\_\_\_ Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_ Years of active membership: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Date admitted: \_\_\_\_\_ Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_ Years of active membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Professional and Personal Qualifications** *(continued)*

- c. Are you in good standing in each state where you are licensed to practice law?
- ☐
- Yes
- ☐
- No

*(If no, provide an explanation in Attachment 3c.)*

- d.
- ☐
- I am certified as a specialist by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization or by an organization whose certification program has been accredited by the State Bar of California.

Areas of specialization: \_\_\_\_\_

- e.
- ☐
- I am certified as a legal specialist by other states or organizations as follows
- (specify)*
- : \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of specialization: \_\_\_\_\_

- f. Have you ever been disciplined by the State Bar of California or by a bar association or other professional licensing entity in any state or by a court of record, including being sanctioned or held in contempt?

☐ Yes ☐ No

- g. Do you have any disciplinary action pending against you by the State Bar of California or by a bar association or other professional licensing agency in any state or by a court of record, including any proceeding for the imposition of sanctions or for contempt?
- ☐
- Yes
- ☐
- No

- h. Have you ever been convicted or pleaded no contest to a felony or misdemeanor?
- ☐
- Yes
- ☐
- No

- i. Are you a defendant in any pending felony or misdemeanor proceeding?
- ☐
- Yes
- ☐
- No

- j. Have you ever been a party to any legal proceeding?
- ☐
- Yes
- ☐
- No

*(If you answered yes to questions 3f, g, h, i, or j, provide additional information in an Attachment.)***4. Practical Experience**

- a. The principal portion of my law practice in California is in the following courts
- (specify state and federal courts, including trial and appellate courts, if applicable)*
- : \_\_\_\_\_

- b. I currently practice in the following areas of law
- (list each subject area of law that occupies at least 10 percent of your time)*
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- \_\_\_\_\_
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- \_\_\_\_\_

- c. Do you hold yourself out publicly as representing exclusively one side in any area of litigation practice?

☐ Yes ☐ No *(If yes, provide the following information):*Area of PracticeSide Represented\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- d. Do you represent one side in more than 90 percent of your cases in any area of litigation practice?

☐ Yes ☐ No *(If yes, provide the following information):*Area of PracticeSide Represented\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Experience as a Temporary Judge**

- a. Have you ever previously served as a temporary judge? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
*(If yes, describe in Attachment 5a your prior service, including the names of the courts and the locations where you served, the approximate number and types of matters heard, and the approximate dates of service.)*
- b. Have you ever been removed by a court as temporary judge? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
*(If yes, describe the circumstances in Attachment 5b, including the court, the date you were removed, and the reasons for your removal.)*

**6. Training**

Describe any training that you have received that qualifies you (under California Rules of Court, rules 243.13–243.14) to serve as a court-appointed temporary judge, including the subjects, the dates, and the name of the court or other provider of the training:

- a. ☐ Bench conduct (*describe*): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- b. ☐ Ethics (*describe*): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- c. ☐ Small claims (*describe*): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- d. ☐ Traffic (*describe*): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- e. ☐ Other (*describe*): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- ☐ Continued on Attachment 6.

**7. Additional Information**

Please respond to the following, if applicable:

- a. The following facts concerning my background, situation, or circumstances may positively or negatively reflect on me or on my suitability for appointment and should be disclosed to the court.

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☐ Continued in Attachment 7a.

- b. I ask the court to consider the following additional facts in support of my appointment:

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☐ Continued in Attachment 7b.

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Cal. Rules of Court, rule 6.744

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### WAIVER AND AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I have applied to be appointed as a temporary judge in the Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma.

I hereby authorize the State Bar of California and the attorney-licensing authority in any other state where I am admitted to practice law to release to an authorized representative of the court information regarding the following matters:

(1) whether I am in good standing or am otherwise authorized to practice law as a member of the State Bar of California or as an attorney in any other state where I am admitted to practice law; (2) whether I have a record of discipline with the State Bar of California or with the licensing authority for attorneys in any other state where I am admitted to practice law; and (3) whether any disciplinary investigation or proceeding is pending against me by the State Bar of California or by the licensing authority for attorneys in any other state where I am admitted to practice law.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OF PRINT NAME OF APPLICANT)

▶ \_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(CALIFORNIA BAR NUMBER OF APPLICANT)