

NOTICES

THE OFFICE OF CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER

**IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR
HANDLING CASE ASSIGNMENTS FOR
THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING
July 1, 2024 THROUGH June 30th, 2025**

**APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED ONLY FROM
Monday, NOVEMBER 13th, 2023 THROUGH
Friday, NOVEMBER 24th, 2023 at 5:00 PM**

FOR THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS ONLY:

CRIMINAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURTS:

Fairfield JD / Part A
Middlesex JD / Part A
New Haven JD / Part A
New London JD / part A
Stamford JD / Part A
Windham JD / Part A

CRIMINAL GEOGRAPHICAL AREA PART B COURTS:

GA 01 – Stamford (now includes Norwalk)
GA 03 – Danbury
GA 04 - Waterbury
GA 05 – Derby
GA 07 - Meriden
GA 09 - Middletown
GA 10 - New London
GA 11 - Danielson
GA 12 – Manchester
GA 15 – New Britain
GA 18 - Torrington
GA 21 - Norwich

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY COURTS:

Hartford
Middletown
New Haven
Waterbury
Waterford
Willimantic

HABEAS CORPUS:

Rockville Civil

CHILD PROTECTION COURTS:

Statewide.

Please note: By advertising statewide we are not indicating there are openings in general, or in any particular court. *Applicants should submit their top 3 choices of court locations.*

STATE-RATE ATTORNEY FOR MINOR CHILD / GUARDIAN AD LITEM:

Statewide – Court locations not needed

FAMILY CHILD SUPPORT CONTEMPT PROCEEDINGS AND PATERNITY:

Norwich, Putnam and also accepting statewide applications

Statewide – indicate preferred location and weekdays

CRIMINAL AND CHILD PROTECTION APPEALS: See below – statewide rolling application process.

Annual agreements will cover the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Compensation will be as follows:

FLAT RATE COMPENSATION *hourly billing as approved*

JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASES	\$1350 per case
CRIMINAL GEOGRAPHICAL AREA CASES	\$675 per case
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY	\$675 per case
CRIMINAL AND CHILD PROTECTION APPEALS AND APPEAL REVIEWS	\$2754, \$4050 or \$6750 flat rates, OR \$102/hour
CHILD PROTECTION CASES	\$675 per case
TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PETITIONS	\$1350 per case
STATE RATE ATTORNEY FOR MINOR CHILD / GUARDIAN AD LITEM	\$675 per case
FAMILY SUPPORT MAGISTRATE (<i>per diem</i>)	\$270 per day

HOURLY COMPENSATION *some cases begin as hourly and flat cases have some hourly approved*

\$102 per hour for Felony cases
 \$88 per hour for Misdemeanor cases
 \$88 per hour for Child Protection
 \$102 for CP Termination of parental rights
 \$88 per hour for AMC/GAL cases

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PRACTICE AREAS

ALL APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH ANY TRAINING DETERMINED TO BE NECESSARY FOR ANY PRACTICE AREA, AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF OCPD.

JUDICIAL DISTRICT APPLICANTS:

Attorneys approved to represent clients in JD courts must have at least 2 years of criminal litigation experience and at least 2 felony trials to verdict as lead or sole counsel.

GEOGRAPHICAL AREA APPLICANTS:

Attorneys approved to represent clients in GA courts will handle misdemeanor cases and felony cases. Applicants should possess a working knowledge of the

criminal statutes, practice book, diversionary programs, and alternatives to incarceration.

JUVENILE DELIQUENCY APPLICANTS:

Attorneys approved to represent client in Juvenile Delinquency courts will handle delinquency matters in closed proceedings. Applicants should have a working knowledge of the statutes that apply to delinquency proceedings, delinquency procedures, practice book, and alternatives to detention.

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 from indigent families in family matters as appointed by the court.

CRIMINAL AND CHILD PROTECTION APPEALS ARE YEARLONG / ROLLING APPLICATIONS:

Attorneys must have prior appellate experience and produce writing /brief samples. Applicants are vetted by the Legal Services Unit and/or the Child Protection Unit, and then the Assigned Counsel Unit. Applicants must be

IF INTERESTED:

Download the application form from the Connecticut Office of Chief Public Defender website, Assigned Counsel page, at the very top (click on the link and you will get the application and instructions):

<https://portal.ct.gov/OCPD/Assigned-Counsel/Assigned-Counsel>

APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED FROM: November 13, 2023, 9:00 a.m. through November 24, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Send the application, cover letter and resume only via email (*USPS mail or fax not accepted*) to:

OCPD.AC.APPLICATIONS@PDS.CT.GOV

DISCIPLINARY MATTERS DOCKET

Effective January 1, 2024, a Disciplinary Matters Docket will be established in the Waterbury Judicial District at 400 Grand Street to which all newly filed attorney disciplinary matters including, but not limited to, the following shall be assigned:

- Presentments,
- Unauthorized practice of law matters,
- Appeals of disciplinary orders issued by the Statewide Grievance Committee,
- Reciprocal discipline petitions,
- Presentments involving convictions of “serious crimes” in CT and other jurisdictions,

- Interim suspension applications,
- Resignations,
- Reinstatement petitions, and
- Inactive status petitions.

Unless otherwise required by law, on and after January 1, 2024, all new attorney disciplinary matters must be filed in Waterbury and will be assigned to the Disciplinary Matters Docket, and all new attorney disciplinary matters required by law to be filed elsewhere, will be transferred to the Disciplinary Matters Docket upon filing. The transfers of disciplinary matters are made in accordance with General Statutes Section 51-347b.

A Standing Order regarding the process and procedures to be followed is posted at:

<https://www.jud.ct.gov/external/super/Standorders/default.htm>.

Honorable Elizabeth A. Bozzuto
Chief Court Administrator

November 7, 2023

NOTICE OF REINSTATEMENT TO THE BAR – REBECCA L. JOHNSON

Pursuant to Practice Book § 2-54(b), notice is hereby given that on November 6, 2023 in docket number NNH CV05-4012328S, the application for reinstatement to the practice of law in Connecticut of Rebecca Johnson [juris number 408982] of Middletown, Connecticut was GRANTED with a five-year probationary period, effective immediately, subject to the following conditions:

1. On or before February 6, 2024, the Applicant shall submit to this court and the Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel a report, signed by the Applicant, that indicates whether she has assumed a legal position with the Internal Revenue Service. If she has assumed such a position, she must include in the report (1) the position title and a short job description, and (2) the name, address, email address and telephone number of a proposed mentor within the agency, as well as the qualifications of that person to serve as her mentor. The report filed with this court should be accompanied by a caseflow request that alerts the court to the fact that the report has been filed and requests the appointment of a mentor.
2. If the Applicant indicates that she has assumed a legal position with the Internal Revenue Service, the report described in paragraph 1 must be accompanied by a proposed mentorship plan, describing how the Applicant will be trained and prepared to fulfill her legal position with the agency. The proposed mentor must sign a statement indicating that he or she is willing to serve as the mentor and sign the progress reports that are required below.
3. If the Applicant has not assumed a legal position with the Internal Revenue Service on or before February 6, 2024, but she does assume such a legal position after that date, she is required to meet the requirements set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 within 30 days of assuming that position.
4. Upon receipt of a report and a plan in response to paragraphs 1 and 2, one or more judges on this panel will act on the request to appoint a mentor.

5. Any change in employment status or entry into private practice must be immediately reported to the Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel.
6. If the Applicant enters private practice, the court appoints Cynthia Jennings as mentor.
7. If the Applicant enters private practice, the Applicant must comply with the mentorship plan submitted to this court, filing no. 145.00, for a three-year period from the date she begins private practice, supplemented as follows: During the first year of private practice, the Applicant must complete the following CLE courses: at least one basic program on the current fundamentals of Connecticut state employment law, one basic program on the current fundamentals of federal employment law, a program on current Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, a program on the current Practice Book requirements for pleading and discovery, and at least one program on the conduct of electronic discovery. The Applicant also shall attend courses on IOLTA compliance, law practice management, client billing and client communication. In addition to the reports described below, the Applicant should provide certificates of completion of each of these courses to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel within 30 days of completion of each course.
8. Regardless of whether the Applicant is practicing law with the government or in private practice, she shall meet all minimum requirements to maintain her license to practice law, including completion of the minimum number of CLE credits per year and payment of annual Client Security Fund assessments.
9. For the first three years of either mentorship described above (Internal Revenue Service or private practice), the Applicant shall file reports quarterly, signed by the mentor, on or before January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1 of each calendar year with the Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel.
10. Regardless of whether the Applicant is practicing law with the government or in private practice, she must maintain legal malpractice insurance coverage in an amount of no less than \$500,000. She shall provide the Office of Disciplinary Counsel proof of such coverage on or before February 1, 2024.
11. The Applicant shall repay the remaining restitution of \$5,700 owed to the Client Security Fund in the agreed upon monthly installments of \$100, on or before the first day of the month, commencing on December 1, 2023. The restitution shall be repaid in its entirety on or before August 1, 2028. The Applicant shall report annually, on or before January 1 of each year, the status of those payments to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel.
12. The Applicant shall repay her Villanova student loan debt in the agreed upon installments of \$50, on or before the first day of the month, commencing on December 1, 2023. That loan shall be repaid in its entirety on or before November 1, 2028.
13. The Applicant shall provide a copy of this order to any mentor who is appointed by this court.
14. The Office of Disciplinary Counsel is ordered to monitor the Applicant's compliance with the conditions set forth in this order.

It is So Ordered this 6th day of November, 2023.

BY THE COURT,

Hon. Michael P. Kamp, Presiding

Hon. Barbara B. Jongbloed

Hon. Elizabeth J. Stewart
