

Attorney For The Child Appeals Panel Application

AFC on the appeals panel are eligible to be substituted for trial AFC who do not wish to represent clients on appeal. If you are interested in being considered for the appeals panel, complete this application and attach the following: (1) a copy of a recent brief; (2) a copy of the Appellate Division order/memorandum decision pertaining to the case you briefed; (3) your resume; and (4) a copy of the CLE certificate indicating that you attended or viewed online the Appellate Training for AFC seminar presented on 3/26/13. Mail this application **with required attachments** to Linda Kostin, Esq., Assistant Director, AFC Program Office, 50 East Avenue, Rochester, NY, 14604.

Please type or print legibly

1. Name (Enter name used for NYS attorney registration)

First	Middle	Last	Suffix (Sr., Jr.)
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2. Please provide the following:

Mailing address

Telephone Number	Fax Number	E-Mail Address
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3. How long have you been an attorney for the child? _____

County or Counties? _____

4. In approximately how many proceedings have you appeared as attorney for the child during the past two years? _____

5. During the past two years, approximately how many times have you appeared as attorney for the child or other counsel in the following types of proceedings:

JD _____; PINS _____; custody/visitation _____; abuse/neglect _____;

TPR _____; paternity _____; adoption _____.

6. Briefly describe your appellate experience. Indicate the number of appellate briefs you have written, the type of proceeding or proceedings, and whether you represented the child, appellant, or respondent.

7. Other than the Appellate Training for AFC seminar, have you attended any CLE seminars on appellate representation in the past two years? Circle Yes / No If yes, indicate approximately how many credit hours and provide the name of the sponsoring organization.

8. Are there types of proceedings in which you could not or would not wish to appear as appellate attorney for the child? Circle Yes / No If yes, please explain.

9. Please attach a recent brief and a copy of the appellate order or decision, with citation.

10. Personal Background:

Have you ever been, or are proceedings pending in which you may be,

1. convicted of a crime or offense, other than a traffic infraction (include military proceedings)? Yes No
2. denied a professional or occupational license, or been cautioned, admonished or censured by a licensing authority, or resigned a professional or occupational license, or had an occupational or professional license revoked or suspended? Yes No
3. held in contempt of court? Yes No
4. found civilly liable in an action involving fraud, misrepresentation, theft or conversion? Yes No
5. discharged in bankruptcy? Yes No
6. found liable for unpaid money judgments, liens or judgments of foreclosure? Yes No
7. found liable for civil penalties for unpaid taxes? Yes No

8. in default in the performance or discharge of any duty or obligation imposed by a judgment, decree, order or directive of any court or governmental agency?
 Yes No
9. removed as a fiduciary by a court of competent jurisdiction for misconduct?
 Yes No
10. in forfeiture of a bond?
 Yes No
11. found to have committed an ethical violation as a member of a judicial, executive or legislative branch of government?
 Yes No

If you answered YES to any of the questions above, you must attach a separate sheet of paper and explain your answer in detail, giving all relevant dates.

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct.

While this application is pending, and if this application is accepted, I understand that I am under a continuing duty to advise the Attorneys for Children Program promptly if circumstances occur that would change my answers to question 10.

I understand Section 7.2 of the Rules of the Chief Judge and will conform to its requirements.

I have read the appeals section of the Guidelines for Attorneys for Children in the Fourth Department (available at <http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/ad4/AFC/AFC-guide.html>) and will follow said Guidelines.

If accepted onto the Attorneys for Children appeals panel, I understand that I will be charged with knowledge of all information contained in the Appellate Training for Attorneys for Children seminar presented on 3/26/13, whether I attended the live program or viewed the seminar online.

Date: _____ Applicant Signature: _____

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