



# Application to Serve as Temporary Judge

## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA KINGS COUNTY

Please return completed Application to:

Jeffrey E. Lewis, Clerk of Court  
1640 Kings County Drive  
Hanford, CA. 93230

### 1. Contact Information

- a. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ b. California State Bar number:
- c. Business address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_
- 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*):  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 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. How often do you appear in this court? \_\_\_\_\_

### 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 an attachment)

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):

\_\_\_\_\_

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 Practice

Side 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 Practice

Side Represented

\_\_\_\_\_

State Bar Number:

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

**5. Experience as a Temporary Judge**

- a. Have you ever previously served as a temporary judge?  Yes  No  
*(If yes, describe in an attachment 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 an attachment, 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 2.812) 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)*: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Ethics *(describe)*: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c.  Small claims *(describe)*: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- d.  Traffic *(describe)*: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- e.  Other *(describe)*: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

State Bar Number:

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

8. **Contact Persons**

It may be necessary to contact you regarding matters on which you have been involved as a temporary judge. Please list two individuals who will **always** know your whereabouts.

a. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First

Last

Business address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

Zip

Business Telephone no.: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First

Last

Business address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

Zip

Business Telephone no.: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

9. **References**

List two or more judicial officers who are familiar with your work:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. I understand and acknowledge that the selection and appointment of a temporary judge is solely at the discretion of the court for the purpose of assisting the public and does not constitute an employment relationship.

11. I am aware of and will comply with all provisions of the Code of Judicial Ethics and the California Rules of Court concerning temporary judges.

12. I understand that it is my responsibility to make the court aware of any significant changes to the information set forth herein. I also understand that I must immediately report to the court any negative licensing issues which may arise following my appointment as a temporary judge (if applicable).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing, including statements made in all attachments, is true and correct. I understand that any misstatement or omission of material fact may disqualify me from serving as a temporary judge in this court.

Date:

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



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

*(This application is not complete unless the Waiver and Authorization for Release of Information on the next page is signed by the applicant.)*

**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 \_\_\_\_\_.

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)

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(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

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