

Application form

Legal Aid Ontario

Criminal Panel Application

Criminal Panel Standards are available at your district office or [on the LAO website](#).

Lawyer information

Name:

Address:

City:

Province:

Postal code:

Solicitor #:

LSO #:

I am certified as a specialist in criminal law by the Law Society of Ontario

Note: If you are certified as a specialist in criminal law by the Law Society of Ontario, you meet the experience and professional development requirements for Parts 1 and 2 of this form.

Minimum related experience

I meet Legal Aid Ontario's minimum related experience or equivalency as set out in section 1(1) or 1(2) of the Criminal Panel Standards.

I do not meet LAO's minimum related experience requirements and am requesting a Director General exemption on the basis of one or more of the following:

I am employed and supervised by a member of the criminal panel;

I have recent experience in teaching criminal law and the required practical skills;

I have substantial experience as criminal duty counsel;

I have had substantial articling experience with a recognized criminal practitioner;

I agree to acquire the minimum related experience within two years; attend training courses as required by the Director General; and utilize mentoring as determined by the Director General.

Mandatory professional development

I shall complete a minimum of 6 hours of continuing legal education or the relevant equivalency in criminal law on an annual basis, as set out in section 2(1) or 2(2) of the Criminal Panel Standards.

I agree to comply on an ongoing basis with LAO's Criminal Panel Standards for admission and continued standing.

I understand that I must be a panel member and compliant with the standards to acknowledge a certificate.

By selecting this box I affirm that I have read and understood the panel standard requirements and that the information contained herein is complete, true and accurate.

Signature

Date:

Office use: Approval for Criminal panel

Director General / designate
signature

Date:

Please submit completed form to the Legal Aid Ontario District Office in your district.

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