

Deadline 5 pm, November 2
Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association
Application for Membership to Board of Directors
(send to mschank@tcdla.com)

Date: _____ Name: _____ Business address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Business phone: _____ Office fax: _____ Business email: _____

Date of birth: _____ Ethnicity _____ Cell phone _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female

College Attended: _____ To: _____ From: _____ Degree: _____

Law School Attended: _____ To: _____ From: _____ Degree: _____

TCDLA member since _____

What percentage of your practice is devoted to Criminal Law? _____ State Bar membership number: _____

Year admitted to the State Bar of Texas: _____ How many years have you practiced criminal defense law? _____

Applying for ☐ TCDLA Board position ☐ TCDLA Secretary position - Officer

Name of firm, partnership, and/or professional association: _____

I accept court appointments : ☐ Yes ☐ No My primary practice is in TCDLA District (see directory): _____ County

I represent District # _____. I have earned _____ hours in CLE criminal law since the first of the year.

Have you ever given a TCDLA membership application to anyone? ☐ Yes ☐ No

I am in Private Practice: ☐ Yes ☐ No or I am in the _____ County Public Defenders Office.

Describe your legal career and experience as a criminal defense practitioner:

1. # Jury Trials: State ____ F ____ M ____ Juv ____ Federal ____

2. # Appeals: State ____ Federal ____

3. # Contested Sentencing: State ____ Federal ____

4. # Bench Trials: ____

5. # Grand Jury Packets presented: ____

6. # Contested Probation hrg: ____ Parole hrg: ____

☐ I have ☐ I have never applied for TCDLA Board Membership. Year applied: ____

☐ Yes ☐ No I have given out TCDLA membership application to a recruit.

Disclosure of Conduct

Yes No*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | (1) | Are you in good standing with the State Bar? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | (2) | Have you received notification from a district grievance committee from the State Bar of Texas or similar entity in another state that a finding of just cause as defined by Section 1.06(P) of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure has been made against you? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | (3) | Has a criminal indictment or information been filed against you for a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude or other serious crimes as defined in the attorney standards? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | (4) | Have you been convicted, received probation/community supervision, or fined for a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude or other serious crime as defined in the attorney standards? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | (5) | Have you been sued for legal malpractice or other private civil actions alleging attorney misconduct, or any other similar actions that were concluded by settlement, dismissal, or judgment for or against you? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | (6) | Has a finding of inadequate representation been made against you regarding representation in a criminal case? |

*If you check 'no,' please elaborate on a separate sheet.

On a separate sheet please tell us:

- A. List any articles, writings, outlines or publications that you have authored in connection with substantive or procedural criminal law matters.
- B. List any speaking engagements you have undertaken relating to or addressing substantive or procedural criminal law topics.
- C. Describe briefly the reasons that you wish to become a member of the Board of Directors of the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association.
- D. Describe two things you believe TCDLA should do to become stronger in aiding its members.

Responsibilities of a Board Member

☐ Yes ☐ No Will you accept the obligation as a Board Member of TCDLA to attend the four board meetings (held quarterly—Sept., Dec., Mar., Jan.)? Will you submit two articles to the *Voice* or participate in legislative efforts or be available for assistance in the Strike Force? Will you maintain the highest level of ethical standards by your participation in TCDLA and the Criminal Defense Lawyers Project programs and endeavors?

☐ Yes ☐ No I will sign TCDLA conflict of interest form and the TCDLA Code of Conduct policy.