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The U. S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois has adopted the following policy with regard to inclusion on its CJA panel.

All new applicants for membership on the CJA Panel for the Central District of Illinois must participate as second chair counsel in two cases before this court prior to any appointment as individual counsel. The Magistrate Judges of the District will coordinate second chair assignments for Panel applicants.

For the purpose of training criminal defense counsel, the out-of-pocket expenses and reasonable fees for attorneys to second chair cases may be covered by the District Court Fund, if approved by the trial Judge.

Ordinarily, the Criminal Justice Act (Title 18 U.S.C. 3006A) will not cover such expenses and fees for second Chair counsel. However, if approved by the trial Judge, go to the website below to download the request for fee form, under the District Court Fund Plan heading:

<http://www.ilcd.uscourts.gov/localrules.htm>