

Statement of Qualifications¹

Date: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

STATE BAR # and YEAR of ADMISSION: _____

I. CERTIFIED SPECIALIST (Certification qualifies the holder to join the Panel):

- I am currently certified as a Specialist in Family Law by the State Bar.
Date of Certification: _____

II. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS (If not certified):

- I attest that within the two (2) years immediately preceding, I have:
- A. Handled at least three (3) dissolutions of marriage from inception to final decrees, involving issues of support, property division, custody, and opposing party being represented by counsel at all stages, including one contested trial before a court involving issues of support or property division; and
- B. Have attended at least six (6) hours of courses in Family Law (please list):

	<u>County</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Opposing Counsel</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Trial (Y/N)</u>	<u>OSC's (No.)</u>
1.	_____					
2.	_____					
3.	_____					

III. ALTERNATE QUALIFICATIONS:

A participating attorney who is not a Certified Specialist (Area I) and/or does not meet the Minimum Qualifications (Area II) for the Moderate Means Panel may alternatively qualify to receive referrals after having submitted to the Lawyer Referral and Information Service Committee the following statements of completion of the following procedures:

- I meet Sections A & B, C or D of the following Alternate Qualifications for the Moderate Means Panel.
- A. I have observed court proceedings in domestic relation matters in the Contra Costa Superior Court as follows:

¹ Please be advised that all participants who are not current members of the CCCBA Lawyer Referral and Information Service must provide a current policy of errors and omissions in the minimum amount of \$100,000.00 single occurrence and \$300,000.00 aggregate per year.

1. Two (2) half days of the mornings short cause calendar.
2. One day of the Domestic Violence calendar.
3. One trial involving property.

B. I certify that I am familiar with State laws and Court rules relating to child support and spousal support and am familiar with computerized procedures and methods of calculating divisions of property and child and spousal support; or

C. I am currently attending or have attended the sixteen (16) hour Family Law Seminar Series co-sponsored by the Contra Costa County Bar Association and Bay Area Legal Aid.

D. Have completed the necessary On-Demand Courses offered through the Practicing Law Institute, as follows:

- California Family Law Basics: Pro Bono Representation in Low-Income Family Law Cases 2020 - <https://bit.ly/3bvyOCe>
- Ethical Issues in California Pro Bono Representation 2020 <http://bit.ly/3ao8zQH>
- Solo Practice Boot Camp: Best Practices from Legal Incubator Programs to Help You Launch Your Own Practice <http://bit.ly/3u7Ckgz>

***PLI Institute may be able to help with the cost of these trainings through their scholarship program**
<http://bit.ly/3avHwTL>

I am not a Certified Specialist (Area I) and/or do not qualify for the Minimum Qualifications (Area II), and do not meet the Alternate Qualifications above, but agree to the following condition:

A. I agree, until completion of the qualifications above, that I shall obtain a mentor who has at least five (5) years of experience, is a member of the CCCBA and has a current policy of errors and omissions in the minimum amount of \$100,000.00 single occurrence and \$300,000.00 aggregate per year (proof of insurance must also be provided).

Name of Mentor: _____

Address/Firm: _____

State Bar # / Year of Admission: _____

IV. PERCENTAGE FEES:

LRIS member shall pay a percentage fee to the LRIS for cases referred to them by the LRIS on the following basis:

A. For Moderate Means cases, the LRIS percentage fee of 15% shall not apply, with the following exception:

1. Attorney fees to be paid by the opposing party may be requested from the court at attorney's usual fee rate. Should these fees be awarded by the court, the 15% LRIS percentage shall apply.

I submit this Statement of Qualifications, as evidence of my eligibility to participate in the Moderate Means Panel of the Contra Costa County Bar Association's Lawyer Referral and Information Service (LRIS). I understand that the information contained herein is subject to reasonable verification and I agree to cooperate with the LRIS Committee and its designees in the process of evaluating my qualification. I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.

I agree that I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Panel and/or the Contra Costa County Bar Association from any adverse claim, award, judgment, or settlement occurring as a result of my advice to or my representation of a client referred by the Panel.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Mentor (if applicable)

Date