

## Office of the Public Defender

## **Volunteer Attorney Application**

(for barred Maryland Attorneys only)

## TO SERVE AS A VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY WITH OPD A CANDIDATE MUST BE MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING OF THE MARYLAND BAR.

We ask that you submit a certificate of good standing electronically with your application. If you are a barred attorney, but not currently a member of the Maryland Bar, and would like to volunteer with OPD, please submit a law clerk application and not a volunteer attorney application.

Address				
Phone Number				
Email				
I prefer to be contacted by:	Telephone	Email	Either	

## **Placement Preferences:**

Name

The Maryland Office of the Public Defender (OPD) maintains twelve geographic districts offices and seven Statewide Divisions. Many, but not all of our offices accept volunteer attorneys. Placement preferences will be taken into consideration; however, because placements are made based on OPD's needs at the time of placement, OPD cannot guarantee that placements will be made in accordance with the applicant's preferences. We recognize that many volunteers have geographical limitations: office locations that the candidate is not interested in for personal and/or practical reasons.

If you have geographical limitations, please use this space to clearly outline those limitations:

Please rank below your placement preferences:

Please provide your available dates (both start and end dates) as well as the hours you are available to work per week.

With respect to the Maryland Office of the Public Defender:

Please identify any other positions with the Office of the Public Defender which you have applied for or maintained in the past (including applications currently pending):

Have you already communicated with a supervisor or other employee with OPD regarding the possibility of a volunteering?

Yes No

If yes, please provide the name of the OPD employee with whom you have been in contact.

Please state how you learned about law clerk opportunities at OPD?

Are you a member of the Maryland Bar?

Yes No

If yes, please identify the date of admission and your name at the time you were barred.

Besides Maryland, are you a member of the Bar of any other jurisdiction?

Yes

No

Please identify which jurisdictions and the dates of admission

Have you ever been the subject of a Bar complaint, investigation, or disciplinary action? Yes

No

If yes, please append to your application materials an explaining the circumstances.

Please furnish the names, phone numbers, and dates of employment of all employers for whom you are presently working. Should you gain further employment or cease working for a current employer while serving as a volunteer attorney with with Office of the Public Defender, you must notify the proper Agency personnel.	
Have you been employed by another Maryland State Agency within the past three years?	Yes
	No
If yes, please identify the Agency and the position held:	
Please provide the name and contact information for the person to contact in the event of an emergency:	
given by me is true and complete to the best o	no willful misrepresentations or falsifications and that the information of my knowledge and belief. I am aware that should investigation at an ification, my application will be disapproved and that I will not be diffice of the Public Defender.
Signature of Applicant (may be electronic):	
Date:	

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