

1. THE NATURE AND COMPLEXITY OF THE OFFENSE REQUIRING REPRESENTATION;
2. THE TRIAL OR APPELLATE EXPERIENCE OF THE ATTORNEY; AND
3. ANY OTHER FACTOR NECESSARY TO ENSURE COMPETENT REPRESENTATION.

(B) REPRESENTATION OF INDIGENT INDIVIDUALS.

(1) EXCEPT IN CASES IN WHICH AN ATTORNEY IN THE OFFICE PROVIDES REPRESENTATION, THE DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDER, SUBJECT TO THE SUPERVISION OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, SHALL APPOINT AN ATTORNEY FROM AN APPROPRIATE PANEL TO REPRESENT AN INDIGENT INDIVIDUAL.

(2) PANEL ATTORNEYS SHALL BE USED AS MUCH AS PRACTICABLE.

(C) PRIMARY DUTY OF PANEL ATTORNEYS.

(1) THE PRIMARY DUTY OF A PANEL ATTORNEY IS TO THE INDIGENT INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTED BY THE PANEL ATTORNEY WITH THE SAME EFFECT AND PURPOSE AS THOUGH PRIVATELY ENGAGED BY THAT INDIVIDUAL AND WITHOUT REGARD TO THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS TO PROVIDE THE SERVICE.

(2) A PANEL ATTORNEY SHALL REPORT TO THE OFFICE AS THE REGULATIONS OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER REQUIRE.

(3) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE DESIGNATION OR ASSIGNMENT OF DIFFERENT INDIVIDUALS TO PERFORM VARIOUS PARTS OF THE SERVICE.

(D) COMPENSATION.

(1) A PANEL ATTORNEY SHALL FILE A PETITION TO BE COMPENSATED BY THE PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR FEES AND EXPENSES INCIDENT TO REPRESENTING INDIGENT INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING INVESTIGATION, OTHER PRETRIAL PREPARATION, TRIAL, AND APPEAL.