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Join the MAACS Roster Today!

The Michigan Appellate Assigned Counsel System (MAACS) accepts applications from conscientious criminal defense attorneys with all levels of criminal appellate experience. We seek attorneys with diverse backgrounds and experiences who are committed to providing high quality, client-centered representation.

MAACS roster attorneys receive:

Reasonable and Reliable Attorney Fees: MAACS has implemented a Regional Assignment Project which consolidates most of the state's local assignment lists into geographic regions. Participating courts have adopted a standardized attorney fee and expense policy and pay \$75/hour for work on trial-based and capital plea-based appeals and \$50/hour for work on non-capital plea-based appeals. Currently, the majority of the state's circuit courts participate in this Project and MAACS hopes to expand it to all circuit courts.

Investigation and Litigation Support Services: MAACS offers support to roster attorneys through its staff Litigation Support Counsel. Assistance includes help developing investigation and mitigation strategies, including requests for investigative funding; second-chairing at evidentiary hearings; briefing support; and assistance with most aspects of indigent appellate representation.

Legal Research Assistance: MAACS roster attorneys have access to a deeply discounted legal research package including complete web access to SADO/CDRC resources and currently, an annual subscription to Westlaw. Valued at over \$3,000, this package is available to roster attorneys for \$250/year.

Expanded Resources and Training: Regular programs include the *Appellate Writing Workshop*, an intense three-day seminar focusing on client-centered appellate advocacy; *MAACS Case Rounds*, a virtual roundtable for roster attorneys; *The Forensic Training Series*, frequent brown-bag seminars; and *National Association for Public Defense* membership, including access to an encyclopedia of webinars related to indigent criminal defense.

For more information, see the MAACS page at www.SADO.org or contact MAACS Administrator Brad Hall (bhall@sado.org) or MAACS Deputy Administrator Kathy Swedlow (kswedlow@sado.org).