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**REQUEST FOR THE PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES FOR
REPRESENTATION IN TRUANCY CASES**

(FLAT RATE compensation)

March 15, 2017

The 18th Judicial District, Colorado Judicial Department, is seeking qualified attorneys to provide legal representation (counsel) for children and parents in truancy cases pursuant to Section 19-1-105(2), C.R.S., Article 33 of Title 22, as amended, and Chief Justice Directive 04-05, as amended. Services provided will be under the terms of contractual agreements between the Judicial Branch and attorneys for appointments during the period of July 01, 2017 through June 30, 2018. The Department will pay a contract fee of \$168* per appointment to represent a client prior to a motion for contempt citation being filed. **Note: If the first appointment to a case is made upon the filing of a motion for contempt citation, it will be compensated on an hourly basis, in lieu of the flat fee amount, pursuant to rates established in Chief Justice Directive 04-05.** Attorneys selected will have an independent contractor relationship with the Department and may maintain a private practice. A contract relationship with the Department is required to receive routine truancy counsel appointments for children or parents in truancy cases in this District. **You are required to request your contract payments for court appointments on-line.**

**Rate is subject to change pursuant to Chief Justice Directives and funding from the General Assembly.*

Qualifications

- Applicants must have maintained their licensed to practice law in Colorado for at least 5 years. Significant experience in truancy cases is highly desirable. A description of further Court requirements is included with the application materials.
- Applicants must maintain a policy of professional liability insurance.
- Applicants must have available sufficient staff and other resources to support the adequate representation of any and all clients who may be assigned under the terms of the contract.

Application Procedure

- Applications are available at https://www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/District/Index.cfm?District_ID=18

(OR online at www.courts.state.co.us, select Administration > Financial Services > Court Appointed Counsel page and click on the link “FY18 CAC Applications” in right-hand column).

- The deadline for submitting applications to the District is April 15, 2017.
- Please submit applications to laurie.mckager@judicial.state.co.us

Selection

Contractor selection is determined by the Chief or Presiding Judge or his/her designee and is subject to approval by the State Court Administrator. The Department reserves the right to reject any or all applications. Selections are based on qualifications and will be made in the best interests of the Department. All selection decisions will be final.

**** Guardian ad litem contracts for representation of minors are the responsibility of the Office of the Child’s Representative. ****