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Criminal Procedure Rule 801

Continuing Legal Education Qualification Certificate for Defense Counsel in Capital Cases

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On June 4th, 2004 the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania adopted a new rule setting standards for experience and continuing legal education required of all criminal defense counsel representing defendants in proceedings involving possible capital punishment.

For the purposes of certification, this document shall serve as confirmation that the attorney noted above has completed the requisite hours of capital counsel continuing legal education credits in order to qualify as defense counsel in capital cases. This document indicates eligibility for appointment or to enter an appearance pursuant to new Rule 801 in accordance with the Supreme Court of Pennsylvanias capital counsel qualification phase in schedule. Education requirements met as follows:

1. by November 1st, 2004 attorney has completed a minimum of six (6) hours of training relevant to representation in capital cases, as approved by the Continuing Legal Education Board.
2. by November 1st, 2005 attorney shall complete a minimum of twelve (12) hours of training relevant to representation in capital cases, as approved by the Continuing Legal Education Board.
3. by May 1st, 2006 attorney shall complete a minimum of eighteen (18) hours of training relevant to representation in capital cases, as approved by the Continuing Legal Education Board