



ORANGE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Court Appointed Investigator Panel

Orange County Superior Court judicial officers may appoint private investigators to assist defense counsel or pro per defendants in certain criminal cases. As a courtesy, Orange County maintains a list of investigators that may be appointed or referred upon request. Defendants and counsel are also free to request the appointment of investigators who do not appear on the list. The list is merely intended to be a resource to help identify qualified investigators.

To be added to the list, applicants may submit an interest letter and attach a copy of their Curriculum Vitae (C.V.) detailing their background, investigative experience, and employment history. Please also advise if there are any foreign languages in which you are fluent. Interest letters and attachments can be sent via email to alternatedefenseservices@occourts.org.

Minimum Qualifications:

General Requirements:

Active Private Investigator License with the California Bureau of Security and Investigative Services (BSIS)

Experience:

Five (5) years of full-time equivalent experience in private investigation dealing with misdemeanor or felony level criminal cases.

Experience Substitution: Three (3) years of experience in a law enforcement-related job may be a substitution for one (1) year of full-time equivalent experience as a licensed private investigator.

Desirable Qualifications:

Knowledge and experience conducting the following duties as a private investigator:

- Interviewing of witnesses, victims, and/or defendants
- Conversing with counsel or defendants representing themselves in propria persona
- Review of police reports and/or other discovery materials
- Service of subpoenas
- Testifying in court regarding investigative findings