

PROSECUTION ADVISORY SERVICES

Prosecutors in many jurisdictions find themselves facing larger caseloads and more cases involving child homicides, domestic homicides, and mental health defenses, often without sufficient training or experience. To assist agencies in serving the public, PD&A is offering the consultative services of experienced prosecutors who can support your prosecution of these difficult cases. Services include:

Issuing/Filing – Consultation in identifying the appropriate charges considering general intent and specific intent crimes.

Case Organization – Assistance in case organization and preparation, ensuring you have the correct witnesses to prove your charges.

Voir Dire – Consultation on the types of jurors to choose in various cases and suggestions for appropriate and effective questions when choosing a jury, with specific attention to properly orienting the jury on mental health defenses.

Trial Presentation – Assistance in identifying issues to address in motions in limine and in presenting evidence in support of the prosecution's case and theory of guilt.

Expert Witnesses – Assistance in locating and selecting experts and in effectively preparing and presenting expert testimony.

Cross-Examination – Assistance in preparing for an effective cross-examination of each expert witnesses.

Post-Conviction Hearings – Assistance in assessing post-conviction evaluations and reports regarding the restoration of sanity.

CONSULTANTS



In his 33-year career as a prosecutor, **Gregg McClain** distinguished himself as an expert in direct and cross examination of experts in psychiatry, psychology, and neuropsychology in cases with mental defense issues. With over 200 trials to his name, Mr. McClain has prosecuted homicides, sexual assaults, arsons, and cases involving workplace violence. He frequently combatted not guilty by reason of insanity pleas and other mental defenses and specializes in knowing how to voir dire and argue jury instructions on those issues. A leader and a teacher in his own office and for prosecutors elsewhere, Mr. McClain is known for helping people understand how the psychiatric evidence either supports or contradicts the physical and/or testimonial evidence to be presented at trial. Mr. McClain teaches case preparation and presentation for national training organizations and his former office, has presented to psychiatric audiences, and is an adjunct professor in the Academy of Justice program at a local community college.



Nicole Rooney has been entrusted with trying the most complex, high-profile cases throughout her 20-year career as a prosecutor. Having spent the vast majority of her career prosecuting challenging child homicides and capital domestic violence homicides, she is considered a leading expert on issues involving child abuse, child homicide, mental health, and expert witness examination. Ms. Rooney has developed particular skill in handling complicated defenses as well, including pleas of not guilty by reason of insanity, drug-induced psychosis, and other mental health defenses. Ms. Rooney is known for her mastery of highly complex medical evidence and the direct and cross-examination of expert witnesses and has been recognized with multiple outstanding achievement awards and the distinction of prosecutor of the year. Ms. Rooney regularly instructs others in her areas of expertise.