**The applicant is applying to join the Rape and Serious Sexual Offences List (RASSO List).**

**Referees are kindly requested to answer the following questions, by reference to the** [**selection criteria for the ‘RASSO List’**](https://www.cps.gov.uk/advocate-panels/advocate-panels-2020-panel-general-crime-and-rape-list)**.**

**Further details of the scheme can be found on the** [**CPS Website**](https://www.cps.gov.uk/publication/advocate-panels) **and more specific information in relation to references can be found in the** [**Explanatory Note to Referees**](https://www.cps.gov.uk/advocate-panels/advocate-panels-2020-panel-general-crime-and-rape-list)**.**

**Please complete this form electronically. A handwritten signature is not required in Section 5.**

**It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that this reference is submitted to the CPS by the deadline date.**

**All information you provide in this form will be treated in confidence. Please ensure that sensitive information is anonymised.**

**Completed references should either be submitted by the applicant, in a single submission, together with their application form to the** [**Advocate Panels mailbox**](mailto:advocate.panels@cps.gov.uk)**. Alternately, referees may send a copy of their reference directly to** [**Advocate Panels mailbox**](mailto:advocate.panels@cps.gov.uk)**.**

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| **Section 1: Nominated Referee** | |
| **Referee’s Name:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **Approved by (for CPS references only):** | **Click here to enter text.** |

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| **Section 2: Applicant’s Information** | |
| **Applicant’s Name:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **Bar Number - 5 digits (if applicable):** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **SRA Number - 6 digits (if applicable):** | **Click here to enter text.** |

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| **Section 3: Reference Questions** |

**3a: How would you describe your role in relation to the applicant e.g. judicial referee, Head of Chambers, instructing solicitor etc.? Please include details of your knowledge of the applicant’s work?**

***Maximum of 150 words*.**

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**3b: How would you rate the applicant’s effective legal decision making and case strategy in relation to Rape and Serious Sexual Offences casework?**

***Maximum of 500 words.***

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**3c: How would you assess the applicant’s advocacy skills in relation to Rape and Serious Sexual Offences casework?**

***Maximum of 500 words.***

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**3d: How would you assess the applicant’s interpersonal skills? In particular, how they interact with the judiciary, jury or witnesses.**

***Maximum of 500 words.***

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**3e: Please add any additional information which might assist.**

***Maximum of 500 words.***

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| **Section 4: Referee’s Information** | | |
| **Name:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **Job Title/Position:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **Address:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **Town/City:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **Postcode:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **E-mail Address:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **Telephone No:** | **Click here to enter text.** |

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| **Section 5: Referee’s Declaration** |

**I declare that all the information I have given on this form is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and accurate.**

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| **Name:** | **Click here to enter text.** |
| **Date** | **Click here to enter text.** |