**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Executive Office of Public Safety and Security**

**Office of Grants and Research**

**FY 2017 MASSACHUSETTS JOHN R. JUSTICE**

**STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM**

**APPLICATION**

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| **SECTION A: Applicant Identification** |

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| Last 4-digits of Social Security XXX-XX ­­­­­­­­­­­­ - - -  | Last Name | First Name | MI |
| Permanent Home Address | Date of Birth |
| City | State | Zip Code |
| Home Telephone: Area Code and Number  | Work Telephone: Area Code and Number + Extension  |
| Home Email Address: | Work Email Address:  |
| Applicant Type:  New Continuing Beneficiary[[1]](#footnote-1) Prior Beneficiary[[2]](#footnote-2)  |

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| **SECTION B: Employer Identification** |
| Select the box that identifies your current employer Attorney General’s Office Committee for Public Counsel Services Federal Defender Office  District Attorney’s Office, specify county below.

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|  Berkshire County DA Bristol County DA Cape & Islands DA Essex County DA Hampden County DA Middlesex County DA Norfolk County DA Northwestern DA Plymouth County DA Suffolk County DA Worcester County DA |

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| **SECTION C: Loan(s) Eligible for Repayment**  |
| Loans eligible for repayment are defined as, and limited to those below.**Student Loan:**(1) A loan made, insured, or guaranteed under part B of subchapter IV of chapter 28 of Title 20 (Federal Family Education Loan Program); (2) A loan made under part C or D of subchapter IV of chapter 28 of Title 20 (William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan and Federal Perkins Loans); (3) A loan made under section 1078-3 or 1087e (g) of Title 20 (Federal consolidation loans and Federal Direct Consolidation loans, respectively). **Ineligible Loans:** (1) A loan made to the parents of a dependent student under section 428B of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1078-2). (2) A Federal Direct PLUS Loan made to the parents of a dependent student. (3) A loan made under section 428C or 455 (g) of the higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1078-3 (Federal consolidation loans) and 1087e(g) (Federal Direct Consolidation loans) to the extent that such loan was used to repay a loan described in clause (1) or (2) |
| **A. Eligible Loans(s)** |
| **Instructions:** In the section below, please provide complete details on all eligible student loans (see above) for which you seek John R. Justice assistance, starting with your **top priority loan**. In addition, please attach to this application documentation from the lender or servicer that includes: (1) original balance; (2) amount paid; (3) outstanding principal; and (4) verification the loan is in good standing. **Submitted documents must include your name**. EOPSS reserves the right to contact the lender or servicer to verify information provided. |
|  | TYPE OF LOAN (e.g., Family Ed. Loan) | NAME AND ADDRESS OF LENDING INSTITUTION | LOAN AMOUNT  | MONTHLY PAYMENT AMOUNT | OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL |
| 1. |  | Name: |  |  |  |
| Address: |
| City/Town: | State: | Zip Code: |
| 2. |  | Name: |  |  |  |
| Address: |
| City/Town | State | Zip Code |
| 3. |  | Name: |  |  |  |
| Address: |
| City/Town | State | Zip Code |
| 4. |  | Name: |  |  |  |
| Address: |
| City/Town: | State | Zip Code: |  |  |  |
| 5. |  | Name: |  |  |  |
|  | Address: |  |  |  |
|  | City/Town: | State: | Zip Code: |  |  |  |
| **Totals:** |  |  |  |
| **B. Ineligible Loan(s)** |
| Instructions: In this section, please provide complete details on all *ineligible* student loans( see pg. 2) or other non-qualifying student loans made directly to the applicant. No supporting documentation is required at this time for *ineligible* or non-qualifying student loans.  |
|  | TYPE OF LOAN  | NAME AND ADDRESS OF LENDING INSTITUTION | LOAN AMOUNT  | MONTHLY PAYMENT AMOUNT | OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL |
| 1. |  | Name |  |  |  |
| Address |
| City/Town | State | Zip Code |
| 2. |  | Name |  |  |  |
| Address |
| City/Town | State | Zip Code |
| 3. |  | Name |  |  |  |
| Address |
| City/Town | State | Zip Code |
| 4. |  | Name |  |  |  |
| Address |
| City/Town | State | Zip Code |
| 5. |  | Name |  |  |  |
| Address |
| City/Town | State | Zip Code |
| **Totals:**  |  |  |  |
| NOTE: JRJ benefits do not make recipients ineligible for Public Service Loan Forgiveness under the College Cost Reduction and Access Act, however, because JRJ funds are taxable as income, the benefit will serve to increase AGI which may influence a borrower’s payment amount due under the Income-Based Repayment program. Typical prosecutors and defenders will see a minimal effect on their IBR payments and will benefit from participation in JRJ. Law school, state-based, and employer-based Loan Repayment Assistance Programs (LRAPs) have individual policies regarding the effect of receiving benefits from other LRAPs (including JRJ in some cases). Applicants are encouraged to contact the LRAP administrators of the programs in which they participate to determine whether JRJ benefits influence eligibility or award amount. (Source: Bureau of Justice Assistance - http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/10JRJFAQ.pdf. |

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| **SECTION D: Applicant Service Agreement and Certification** |
| In completing this renewal application for the JRJ Grant Program, I certify/understand/agree to all the conditions below. * **Prior Beneficiaries:** I will remain employed full time (at least 30 hours per week) as a prosecutor or public defender in Massachusetts for a period of service of at least one year (12 months) from the date I sign the JRJ Student Loan Repayment Program Service Agreement (Appendix C) submitted with this application unless I am involuntarily separated from my employment. If I do not remain in service for this agreed-upon time, I will re-pay the amount of the JRJ grant(s) I was awarded.
* **New or Continuing Beneficiaries:** I will remain employed full time (at least 30 hours per week) as a prosecutor or public defender in Massachusetts for a period of service of at least three years (36 months) from the date I sign/signed the initial 3 Year JRJ Student Loan Repayment Program Service Agreement (Appendix B) submitted with this application or with a preceding application if I am a Continuing Beneficiary (complete Appendix D for this application) unless I am involuntarily separated from my employment. If I do not remain in service for this agreed-upon time, I will re-pay the amount of the JRJ grant(s) I was awarded.
* If required, I will provide documentation annually from my lender or servicer for each loan JRJ benefits are applied to. This documentation will include: (1) original balance; (2) amount paid; (3) outstanding balance; (4) amount of monthly payment; and (5) verification the loan is in good standing.
* I am not in default on repayment of any federal student loan.
* I am not in default on repayment of a no-interest Massachusetts state student loan.
* In accordance with 42 U.S.C.§ 3797cc-21(c), no funds may be paid directly to the beneficiary. Payments on behalf of the beneficiary cannot exceed the total qualifying loan balance.
* I understand that the award will be issued to my employer. My employer will be responsible for making payments to the holder of my loan(s).
* The beneficiary remains responsible for any remaining payments or balances.
* Neither the Department of Justice nor the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be held responsible for any late fees assessed by the lending institution.
* The amount paid by any state shall not exceed $10,000 for any individual beneficiary in any calendar year or an aggregate total of $60,000 in the case of any individual.
* Once approved for loan repayment, there is a rebuttable presumption that a beneficiary will be given priority consideration to receive funding during the one year service agreement (Prior Beneficiaries) or three-year service agreement (New Beneficiaries), depending on the availability of federal funds. Renewal is not automatic and nothing shall obligate the state to renew a benefit in the same (or greater) amount previously received by a beneficiary.
* It is my responsibility to consult with the holder of my loan(s), tax professional, or any other financial advisor to understand what the implications may be for accepting an award should it be offered.

*I certify the information provided in this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge and will provide supporting documentation if requested by the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, Office of Grants and Research.* Applicant Signature Date  |

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**APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

**Application Deadline**

All applications must be received by **4:00 pm on Monday, May 21, 2018.** Late, emailed or faxed applications will not be accepted.

**Submitted John R. Justice packets must include the following:**

 JRJ Student Loan Repayment Program Application signed in **blue ink;**

 Documentation from each lender or servicer of each loan listed in Section C (A).

A National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) Report printed no earlier than March 1, 2017.

 JRJ Student Loan Repayment Employer Certification Form signed in **blue ink; and**

 JRJ Student Loan Repayment Service Agreement and Certification signed in **blue ink.**

**ONE original JRJ packet consisting of the above documents and THREE *collated* copies of the JRJ packet must be received no later than 4:00 pm on Monday, May 21, 2018.**

Please staple original and each *collated* copy. No binders or paper clips.

Late, emailed or faxed applications will not be accepted.

All applications and supporting documentation must be **mailed** or **hand delivered** to:

Attn: JRJ Grant Program Coordinator

Ms. Jenny Barron

Executive Office of Public Safety and Security

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1. “Continuing Beneficiary Applicant” is defined as an applicant who is a beneficiary of one or two preceding Massachusetts JRJ Grant Program awards who is still in the process of fulfilling their initial 3 Year JRJ Service Agreement and is seeking additional funds during the second or third years of the initial agreement. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. “Prior Beneficiary Applicant” is defined as an applicant who was selected as a beneficiary on behalf of one or more of the preceding Massachusetts JRJ Grant Program awards and successfully fulfilled his/her initial 3 Year Service Agreement and will commit to an additional 1 Year JRJ Service Agreement if awarded funds under the current application. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)