

County: _____ Court File No: _____ Judicial District: _____

Application for Public Defender

Section 1 - Personal Information

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

1. Do you need a Language or Sign Interpreter, hearing device, or any other type of assistance?

Yes No Language: _____

2. Do you or any legal dependents in your household receive public assistance?

Yes No If yes, identify type of assistance:

General Assistance Minnesota Family Assistance Program (MFIP) TANF

Food Stamps / Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) Social Security Disability

Other _____

(Please list)

3. Do you live in Section 8 or other publicly funded housing? Yes No

4. Are you currently represented by a public defender in any other matter in Minnesota? Yes No

Section 2 - Financial Information

5. Do you have a spouse/partner*? Yes No

* Under Minnesota case law, State v. Jones, 772 NW2nd 496 (Minn. 2009), the court may consider the income and assets of a spouse/partner or live-in girlfriend/boyfriend in determining eligibility for a public defender.

6. How many legal dependents live with you, including your spouse/partner? _____

7. Check if you pay or receive court ordered child support. Amount: \$ _____

week / month

8. Check if you pay or receive court ordered spousal maintenance (alimony).

Amount: \$ _____ week / month

9. Do you work? Yes No If yes, when did you start? _____

Check if you work multiple jobs Hours worked per week: _____

How much are you paid before taxes are taken out? \$ _____ per hour /

week / month / year

10. Does your spouse/partner work? Yes No

How much is your spouse/partner paid before taxes are taken out? \$ _____ per

hour / week / month / year

11. Do you have other sources of income (for example, tribal payments, unemployment, etc.)?

12. List any other available assets (for example, cash, real estate, investments, pension, etc.):

13. Do you own, lease, or rent a home/apartment; vehicle; motorcycle; boat; snowmobile; all-terrain vehicle; jet ski; other? List all.

Description	Year	Own/Lease/Rent	Monthly Payment

14. Are there any other extraordinary expenses or financial circumstances you want to list?

Section 3 - Agreement

If you put false information on your application, it may lead to criminal charges against you. If information about anything you put on this form changes, including information about your employment, it is up to you to notify the Court. *Even if you are found eligible for a public defender, you may be required to pay some amount toward the cost of your representation. If you are eligible for a public defender, the Court may impose a \$75 co-payment separate from any other reimbursement that is ordered.*

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything that I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Dated: _____

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Applicant is Eligible Ineligible Interpreter Required? Yes No Language: _____