

COUNTY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

8<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER/COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY  
FOR CHIPS OR DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS**

Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ SS #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ SS #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Juvenile: \_\_\_\_\_

You are not required to provide your social security number, but the application may not be processed without it. The social security number may be used to assist the judge in determining your eligibility to qualify for a public defender and as otherwise provided by law.

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Number and Name City State Zip Code

Temporary Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Number and Name City State Zip Code

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Address Telephone

Applicant's:  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**READ THIS BEFORE YOU FILL IN THE FORM**

- Even if a Public Defender/ Court Appointed Attorney is named to represent you, you may have to pay back some of the costs.
- If you need help, do not understand a question, or have difficulty reading, ask court personnel to help you.
- If you put false information on your application, it may lead to criminal charges against you.
- Only people who cannot afford to pay for an attorney are eligible to have a Public Defender/Court Appointed Attorney represent them.
- If any information you give on this form changes (such as address, phone, job, income, etc.), you must notify the Court when the changes take place.
- The judge may conduct a hearing to require you to explain any of your answers.
- If an attorney is appointed, be sure to obtain the name, address and telephone number of your attorney and keep it with you.
- You should know that any information on this form may be checked out and verified by the Court.

**PLEASE PRINT YOUR ANSWERS**

**WARNING: Your application will be denied if you do not answer all required questions truthfully. You are responding under oath. Lying under oath is called perjury and may result in a criminal charge or jail.**

**The burden is on you to show why you are eligible for a public defender/court appointed attorney.**

1. What is your marital status?

- Married
- Single
- Separated
- Divorced
- Live together

2. Do you or your spouse or child who lives with you receive money or help from the government?

- Yes
- No

3. If the answer is YES, what kind of help is it? Who receives it and how much is it?

- SSI \_\_\_\_\_ For whom \_\_\_\_\_
- Food Stamps \_\_\_\_\_ For whom \_\_\_\_\_
- MFIP \_\_\_\_\_ For whom \_\_\_\_\_
- General Assistance \_\_\_\_\_ For whom \_\_\_\_\_
- Rental Assistance \_\_\_\_\_ For whom \_\_\_\_\_
- Workers' Comp \_\_\_\_\_ For whom \_\_\_\_\_
- Unemployment \_\_\_\_\_ For whom \_\_\_\_\_

4. Have two (2) attorneys refused to handle your case because you could not afford to pay their fees?  Yes  No

If yes, please give their names or provide letters from the refusing attorneys:

\_\_\_\_\_

5. a. Are you currently working?  Yes  No

- Full time
- Part time
- Temporary
- Seasonal
- Permanent
- Self-employed

b. If you are working, what is your employer's name, address and telephone?

\_\_\_\_\_

c. What are your job duties and responsibilities?

\_\_\_\_\_

6. How often are you paid?

- Every week     Every two weeks  
 Every month     Other \_\_\_\_\_

7. Are you paid by the hour?                     Yes                     No

- a. If yes, how much are you paid per hour? \_\_\_\_\_  
b. How many hours a week do you work on average? \_\_\_\_\_  
c. Do you receive tips or commissions?     Yes                     No

If YES, how much and how often \_\_\_\_\_

8. When you get paid, how much is it, on average? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Estimate how much money you made last year \_\_\_\_\_

10. a. If you are not working, what was your last job? \_\_\_\_\_  
b. What is the last day that you worked? \_\_\_\_\_  
c. Why are you no longer working there? \_\_\_\_\_  
d. When do you intend to work again? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Is your spouse, or the person\* you are living with, employed?     Yes                     No

- a. If yes, what is their job? \_\_\_\_\_  
b. If yes, how often are they paid?

Every Week     Every other week     Every month     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

c. How much is their paycheck, on average? \_\_\_\_\_

12. How many children do you have? (This means your own children.) \_\_\_\_\_

13. How many children live with you? \_\_\_\_\_

a. What are their names and ages? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

14. Do you, your spouse, or the person you are living with, receive money for anything else? If so, how much?

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nat'l Guard/Reserves \$ _____                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Child support                    \$ _____         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School grants                    \$ _____                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Alimony/Maintenance \$ _____                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary jobs                    \$ _____                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                    \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Per capita<br>(Gaming Revenue)                    \$ _____ |  |

\*The "person you are living with" means a person with whom you live and with whom you are involved in a significant romantic or sexual relationship or someone you consider a common law spouse.

15. Do you have any bank accounts?  Yes  No  
 List the accounts and how much money is in each account.

\_\_\_\_\_

16. How much cash do you have at this time? \_\_\_\_\_.

17. If you own any of the items listed below, place a check mark next to each that you own.  
 List the value of each item that you checked, and how much you owe on it.

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Make/Model or Description</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Amount Owed</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Boats	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycles	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Snowmobiles	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> ATV's	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Trailers	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Guns	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Trust/Inheritance	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Stocks/Bonds	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> House/Mobile Home	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Land	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Cars/Trucks	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other assets	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other assets	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____

18. Do you have any assets that can be sold, pawned, or pledged for cash?  Yes  No

If yes, describe those assets and list their value: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

19. Have you sold, given away, or transferred any assets within the last 90 days or after the date of the charged offense, whichever is earlier?  Yes  No

If yes, describe those assets and list their value: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

20. Is there any reason why you believe you should not be required to pay for a public defender/court appointed attorney for your child?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

OATH AND AUTHORIZATION FOR INFORMATION

**Failure to sign this oath and authorization may result in delay or rejection of your application for a public defender or court appointed attorney.**

I affirm under oath that the representations contained in this application are true. I understand that lying under oath is perjury and may result in a criminal charge. I hereby authorize any person, corporation, employer, governmental agency or department, bank or financial institution to release information to \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY DISTRICT COURT, for the purpose of verifying statements contained in this application.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Maiden name, if married

Signed and sworn to before me

on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy/Notary Public

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