



APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER

County:

Court file #:

Judicial District:

Section 1 – Personal Information

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
 - a) If yes, specify language:
- 2) Do you or any legal dependents in your household receive public assistance? Yes No
 - a) If yes, identify type of assistance:
General assistance Minnesota Family Assistance Program (MFIP) TANF Disability
Food Stamps/Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) Social Security Other:
- 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 (MN 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) Do you receive court ordered child support or spousal maintenance? Yes No
 - a) If yes, Child Support received monthly
 - b) If yes, Spousal Maintenance received monthly
- 8) Do you pay court ordered child support or spousal maintenance? Yes No
 - a) If yes, Child Support paid monthly
 - b) If yes, Spousal Maintenance paid monthly
- 9) Are you employed Yes No
 - a) If yes, when did you start?
 - b) Do you work multiple jobs? Yes No
 - c) Hours worked per week:
 - d) How much are you paid before taxes are taken out?
 - i) Per Weekly Bi-weekly Monthly

10) Does your spouse/partner work? Yes No

a) How much is your spouse/partner paid before taxes are taken out?

i) Per Weekly Bi-weekly Monthly

11) List any other sources of income (for example, tribal payments, unemployment, etc.)

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

13) Do you own, lease or rent a home/apartment; vehicle; motorcycle; boat; snowmobile; ATV; Jet ski; other?

Yes No

List all:

Description:	Year:	Own/Lease/Rent:	Monthly Payment:
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15) List any other extraordinary expenses or financial circumstances:

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 I stated in this document is true and correct. (Minn. Stat 358.116)

Applicant's Signature

Date:

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Applicant is

Interpreter Required

Language: