

**State of Minnesota**  
**County of** \_\_\_\_\_  
**File No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**District Court**  
**Judicial District** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

- 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 represent them.
- If information about anything you put on the form changes, including information on your employment, it is up to you to notify the Court when the changes occur.
- The judge may ask you to explain, under oath, any of your answers, or any questions you leave blank.
- Even if you are found eligible to have all or part of the costs of an attorney paid, you may be required to pay back those expenses at a later time.
- If a public defender is appointed, be sure to discuss the services which are available with him/her.
- You are advised that the Court may contact others to verify the information in this form.

**I AM SWEARING TO THE TRUTH OF MY ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS MADE WITH THE FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE PENALTY OF PERJURY, INCLUDING A POSSIBLE CRIMINAL CHARGE AND PRISON SENTENCE.**

**PLEASE PRINT YOUR ANSWERS**

1. Do you or a dependent who lives with you receive any form of public assistance?

Yes       No

a.) If you answered YES, what kind of public assistance is received?

SSI       Food Stamps       AFDC       General Assistance

b.) If a dependent living with you receives public assistance, how are they related to you? \_\_\_\_\_

**IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED YES TO QUESTION #1, GO TO THE LAST PAGE AND SIGN THE FORM IN FRONT OF A NOTARY OR DEPUTY. YOU NEED NOT ANSWER THE REMAINING QUESTIONS ON THIS PAGE OR THE FOLLOWING PAGES. IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED NO TO QUESTION #1, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE REST OF THE FORM.**

2. Have two attorneys refused to handle your case because you could not afford their fees?

Yes       No

a.) If you answered YES, please give their names:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b.) Were these lawyers on a list given to you by the Court?

Yes       No

3. Are you currently working?       Yes       No

4. What is your employer's name, address and telephone number? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5. What type of work do you do? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What is your marital status?       Married       Single       Separated       Divorced

7. What is your spouse's name? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is your spouse working?       Yes       No

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9. What is your spouse's employer's name, address and telephone number? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

10. How many dependent children do you have? \_\_\_\_\_  
 a.) How many of your dependent children live with you? \_\_\_\_\_  
 b.) What are their names and ages?  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

11. What is your total annual gross income? \_\_\_\_\_  
 a.) What is your net (take home) income? \_\_\_\_\_

12. What is your spouse's total annual gross income? \_\_\_\_\_  
 a.) What is your spouse's net (take home) income? \_\_\_\_\_

13. List all other money received from any source: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Your monthly expenses	Amount Spent Monthly
Housing, ___ Buying ___ Renting	\$
Groceries	\$
Utilities (heat, lights, phones, etc.)	\$
Car/Vehicle Payment	\$
Other Transportation Expenses (bus, gas, etc.)	\$
Insurance (life, fire, house, auto, etc.)	\$
Employment/Education Expenses (tuition, tools, fees, union dues, etc.)	\$
Medical Expenses	\$
Child Care	\$
Child Support and Alimony	\$
Student or Personal Loans (credit cards, etc.)	\$
Other (describe)	\$
<b>Total Monthly Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>

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List all other debts: \_\_\_\_\_

14. If you own or are buying any property listed below, fill in the information about that property on the rest of the line.

Property you own or are buying	What is the year, Make/Model	Present Value	How much do you owe on it?
House or mobile home		\$	\$
Automobile		\$	\$
Other vehicle(s)		\$	\$
Recreational vehicle/boat/snowmobile/RV etc.		\$	\$
Other real estate		\$	\$
Other property (identify)		\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>	
Cash on hand		\$	
Total balance in all bank accounts		\$	
Total tax refund(s) coming		\$	
Total stocks, bonds, IRA's other annuities		\$	
Other (explain)		\$	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$</b>	

Signed and sworn to before me  
on \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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