

THE SUPREME COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF SUSPENDING STANDARD)
14 OF CrR 3.1 AND CrRLJ 3.1—)
QUALIFICATIONS OF ATTORNEYS)

ORDER

NO. 25700-A- 1569

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The Washington State Supreme Court considered the request submitted by letter dated April 26, 2024, by the King County Department of Public Defense, the Snohomish County Office of Public Defense, the Snohomish County Public Defender Association, and Professor Paul Holland that the Court temporarily suspend, on an emergency basis, Standard 14 of CrR 3.1 and CrRLJ 3.1—Qualifications of Attorneys. The Court finds that temporary suspension of Standard 14 is warranted while the Washington State Bar Association’s suggested amendments to the Court’s Standards for Indigent Defense are pending before the Court.

Now, therefore, pursuant to the Court’s authority to administer justice and the Court’s authority to take emergency action with respect to rules pursuant to GR 9(j)(1), it is hereby

ORDERED:

- (a) Standard 14 of CrR 3.1 and CrRLJ 3.1—Qualifications of Attorneys, is hereby suspended for one year from the date of this Order.
- (b) During the suspension of Standard 14 of CrR 3.1 and CrRLJ 3.1, the Certification of Appointed Counsel of Compliance With Standards Required by CrR 3.1/CrRLJ 3.1/JuCr 9.2 is modified in the form attached hereto.
- (c) This order will be published on the Washington Courts website.

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DATED at Olympia, Washington this 7th day of June, 2024.

For the Court


González, C.J.

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CERTIFICATION OF APPOINTED COUNSEL OF COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS REQUIRED BY
CrR 3.1 / CrRLJ 3.1 / JuCR 9.2

CERTIFICATION BY:

Name WSBA#

QUARTER: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th

CALENDAR YEAR: _____

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Certification for:

_____ to _____
MM/DD/YYYY MM/DD/YYYY

The undersigned attorney hereby certifies:

1. I am familiar with the Standards for Indigent Defense adopted by the Supreme Court which apply to attorneys appointed to represent indigent clients.:
2. I file certification forms in each court in which I provide indigent defense representation.
3. Approximately ___% of my total practice time is devoted to indigent defense cases.

Approximately ___% of my total practice time is devoted to indigent defense cases in this court.

4. I am appointed in other courts to provide indigent defense representation. My practice time in each is approximately as follows:

Not Applicable

_____ Court of _____. Total practice: ___%

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_____ Court of _____. Total practice: ___%

5. **Caseload:** I limit the number of cases and mix of case types to the caseload limits required by Standards 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4. My caseload is prorated to the percentage of my practice devoted to indigent defense.
6. **Qualifications:** I meet the minimum basic professional qualifications in Standard 14.1 the revised WSBA Standards for Indigent Defense Services. I am familiar with the specific case qualifications in Standard 14.2 in the WSBA Standards for Indigent Defense Services and accept appointment as lead counsel only when I meet the qualifications for that case.
7. **Office:** I have access to an office that accommodates confidential meetings, a postal address, and adequate telephone and communication services as required by Standard 5.2.
8. **Investigators:** I have investigators available to me and use investigative services as appropriate, as required by Standard 6.1.