

# North Carolina Defender Directories

**Public Defenders/Court-Appointed Attorneys:** If a defendant cannot afford an attorney and is accused of a crime that could result in a jail sentence or suspended sentence, the defendant is eligible for the services of a lawyer at state expense. Public Defenders are full-time, state-paid attorneys whose function is to represent indigent criminal defendants and indigent respondents in civil cases where there is a right to counsel. Nineteen districts in the state encompassing 37 counties have Public Defender Offices. If the county in which you have been criminally charged is not included in the list below, a local private attorney will be appointed to represent you. In either case, you must appear at your scheduled court appearance to request a court-appointed attorney. You will be asked to complete an Affidavit of Indigency, showing your income and expenses. If, after completing this form, the judge decides you cannot afford an attorney and are entitled to counsel, the judge will appoint you an attorney. You have no choice in who the judge will appoint to represent you. Court-appointed attorneys are not free attorneys. If you plead guilty or are found guilty, the judge will order you to reimburse the State of North Carolina for the value of services provided by a court-appointed attorney.

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