

APPENDIX B

What constitutes a “Case Assignment”

A “case assignment” in criminal matters, includes all charges against a single defendant that arise out of a single event, transaction or occurrence. For example, it would be one “case assignment” if a defendant has a DUI and a DUS charge arising from the same stop, whether or not the DUI and the DUS offenses were charged in one or two charging documents.

A case assignment regarding a petition to revoke probation, includes all matters brought in all related petitions, no matter how many underlying cases are involved.

A case assignment regarding a post-conviction application involves all matters brought in the application, or amended application, no matter how many underlying cases are involved.

A case assignment regarding an appeal involves all matters raised in the appellate brief, no matter how many case assignments were involved at the trial level.

A case assignment regarding a child support matter involves all court files in which the petitioner and respondent are identical, but only includes those matters in the court files in which a constitution, statute or rule requires that an attorney be provided by this agency at public expense.

A motion for a new trial based on newly discovered evidence under Rule 33 (b) (1) of the North Dakota Rules of Criminal Procedure is a separate case assignment.

A “case assignment” in juvenile matters, which are informally adjusted involve all the pending allegations concerning the juvenile, whether or not the allegations pertain to events occurring on the same or different dates.

A “case assignment” in juvenile deprivation matters, includes all allegations brought in a single petition or contemporaneously filed petitions alleging that a child or related children are deprived, whether or not the allegations pertain to events occurring on the same or different dates.

A “case assignment” in juvenile unruly matters, includes all allegations brought in a single petition alleging that the juvenile is unruly, whether or not the allegations pertain to events occurring on the same or different dates.

A “case assignment” in juvenile delinquency matters, includes all allegations against one juvenile that arise out of a single event, transaction or occurrence. For example, it would be one “case assignment” if a juvenile has criminal trespass and theft allegations arising from the same incident.

A “case assignment” in a termination of parental rights matter includes all allegations brought in a single petition or contemporaneously filed petitions seeking to terminate the parental rights of a parent or parents with respect to the parent’s or parents’ child or children.

A case assignment regarding any other matter includes all related matters in related court files (such as orders to show cause in multiple court files dealing with an obligor’s alleged failure to pay child support for his or her children) for which a constitution, statute or rule requires that an attorney be provided by this agency at public expense.