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| **DIDS Attorney Observation Report** | | **Reviewer** | Derrick Lopez |
| Date | November 15, 2024 | County | Humboldt |
| Court | Union Justice Court | Judge | Jim Loveless |
| Defense Attorney | Robert Dolan | Prosecutor(s) | Anthony Gordon  Deputy District Attorney |
| Attorney Present | In Person / Virtual / w/Client | Number of Clients | 2 |
| Defendants Present | In Person / Virtual / Off-Site | Custodial Status | IC / OOC / Blend |
| Hearing Types | Pretrial Conference and Preliminary Hearing | | |
| **Attorney's Preparedness** | | | |
| Did the Attorney appear for court? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney have the file? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney appear to have had a substantive, confidential meeting with  each client before court? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney appear prepared to handle their clients' cases? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| **How prepared did the Attorney appear?**  Robert appeared prepared for court. | | | |
| **How knowledgeable was the Attorney about their cases?**  Robert appeared to be knowledgeable about his cases. | | | |
| **The Attorney's courtroom advocacy skills were:**  Robert did a good job advocating for his clients during the court hearing. | | | |
| **How was the Attorney/client communication?**  The attorney-client communication appeared to be good. | | | |
| **Case Stage-Specific Issues** | | | |
| Did the Attorney argue for pretrial release/OR, or for reasonable bail? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney counsel each client to refrain from waiving trial rights until the  attorney completed investigation of the case? | | | Yes / No / Unknown |
| Did the Attorney appear to have counseled clients to refrain from waiving any  rights at arraignment? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney appear to adequately advise clients of the consequences of  accepting a plea or going to trial, including any collateral consequences? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney present mitigating evidence and provide argument at  sentencing? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney address the Presentence Investigation Report (PSI) and/or  Psychosexual Evaluation/Risk Assessment appropriately? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the court require defendant(s) to reimburse the entity for representation? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| **Overall Assessments** | | | |
| Does the Attorney appear to have a sustainable workload? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Overall, does the Attorney appear to be providing effective representation to  their clients? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| **Remarks/Recommendations/Notes (continue on reverse):**   * One of Robert’s clients pled guilty, pursuant to negotiations, to an amended charge of Challenge to Fight, a misdemeanor (it was a Second Amended Criminal Complaint). The parties jointly recommended that the client be sentenced to 10 days jail with credit for 10 days time served. The court followed the joint recommendation. [Note: this client appeared by video from the Humboldt County Jail] * Robert’s other client was scheduled for a preliminary hearing. This client is a co-defendant of a client represented by Massey Mayo also scheduled for preliminary hearing today. Massey’s client failed to appear   Remarks/Recommendations/Notes, continued:  Today. Massey’s client’s preliminary hearing was continued to December 19, 2024. Robert requested that his client’s preliminary hearing be continued to the same December 19 date. The court granted the continuance and scheduled this client’s preliminary hearing at the same time as the co-defendant on December 19, 2024. [Note: this client was in custody and appeared in person in court]. | | | |