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| **DIDS Attorney Observation Report** | | **Reviewer** | Derrick Lopez |
| Date | October 21, 2024 | County | Douglas |
| Court | Ninth Judicial District Court – Dept 2 | Judge | Thomas Gregory |
| Defense Attorney | Mary Brown | Prosecutor(s) | Chelsea Mazza and Ric Casper  Deputy District Attorney |
| Attorney Present | In Person / Virtual / w/Client | Number of Clients | 3 |
| Defendants Present | In Person / Virtual / Off-Site | Custodial Status | IC / OOC / Blend |
| Hearing Types | Arraignment and Sentencing Hearings | | |
| **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?**  Mary appeared prepared for her cases today. | | | |
| **How knowledgeable was the Attorney about their cases?**  Mary appeared to be knowledgeable about her case. | | | |
| **The Attorney's courtroom advocacy skills were:**  Mary did a good job advocating for her client during the court hearings. | | | |
| **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 / Unknown |
| 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 Mary’s clients was set for sentencing for a charge of Supplying a Schedule I Controlled Substance, a category C felony. Mary argued for diversion, and in the alternative probation with drug court as a condition of probation. Mary presented evidence and argument in mitigation. The court closed the hearing briefly for the presentation of confidential defense mitigation information. The State argued for the maximum sentence of 24-60 months active prison. The court denied the defense petition for diversion and sentenced the client to the maximum sentence 24-60 months active prison with credit time served of 79 days. | | | |

Remarks/Recommendations/Notes, continued:

* One of Mary’s clients was set for an Arraignment. The client pled guilty, pursuant to negotiations, to all 5 counts in the information (which included the small Habitual Criminal Statute, Forgery, Possession of a Credit Card Without the Cardholder’s Consent, Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle, and Impersonating Another). Probation is not possible on the Habitual Criminal charge. Sentencing was set for 12/02/2024. Note: pursuant to the negotiations the State would not pursue the larger Habitual Criminal charge.
* Mary’s final case was a client being sentenced on a Battery by a Prisoner felony. The court followed the joint sentencing recommendation of 12-36 months prison, suspended, defendant placed on probation not to exceed 6 months. The defendant to serve 6 months in the Douglas County Jail with credit time served of 30 days. The court ordered that the defendant is eligible for good time and trustee time credits. Upon completion of the jail sentence that probation will be successfully terminated. The fines, fees and assessments were ordered and paid today.