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| **DIDS Attorney Observation Report** | | **Reviewer** | Derrick Lopez |
| Date | October 22, 2024 | County | Pershing |
| Court | Lake Towhship Justice Court | Judge | Karen Stephens |
| Defense Attorney | Steven Cochran, Public Defender | Prosecutor(s) | Paul Yohey, 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 | Pretrial Conference, Preliminary Hearing, and Review 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?**  Steven appeared prepared for court. | | | |
| **How knowledgeable was the Attorney about their cases?**  Steven appeared to be knowledgeable about his cases. | | | |
| **The Attorney's courtroom advocacy skills were:**  Steven 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, with the exception of one client that did not appear for the review hearing. The court agreed to continue the hearing. | | | |
| **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 / Unknown |
| 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 Steven’s clients was scheduled for a pretrial conference. The case did not resolve and was set for a bench trial on November 21, 2024. The client did not waive 60 days. * One of Steven’s clients was scheduled for a post-sentencing review hearing on a DUI case. The client did not appear. The client did turn in proof of completion of the Victim Impact Program, but had not submitted any proof of attendance in counseling. Steven requested a continuance to try and reach the client and obtain proof of counseling. The court granted the continuance. | | | |

Remarks/Recommendations/Notes, continued:

* Steven’s final client for today’s court was scheduled for a preliminary hearing. However, the State moved to dismiss the case without prejudice. The court granted the motion to dismiss.