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| **DIDS Attorney Observation Report** | | **Reviewer** | Derrick Lopez |
| Date | April 21, 2025 | County | Pershing |
| Court | Eleventh Judicial District Court | Judge | Jim Shirley |
| Defense Attorney | Kyle Swanson | Prosecutor(s) | Deputy District Attorney |
| Attorney Present | In Person / Virtual / w/Client | Number of Clients | 1 |
| Juvenile Clients Present | In Person / Virtual / Off-Site | Custodial Status | IC / OOC / Blend |
| Number of Clients  In custody | 1 | Number of Clients Out-of-Custody | 0 |
| Cases Continued  In Custody | 1 | Cases Continued  Out-of-Custody | 0 |
| Hearing Types | Order to Show Cause 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 / Unknown |
| Did the Attorney appear prepared to handle their clients' cases? | | | Yes / No / Unknown |
| **How prepared did the Attorney appear?**  I was unable to form an opinion regarding whether Kyle was prepared for court based on the limited activity during today’s brief hearing. | | | |
| **How knowledgeable was the Attorney about their cases?**  I was unable to form an opinion regarding whether Kyle was knowledgeable about his case based on the limited activity during today’s brief hearing. | | | |
| **The Attorney's courtroom advocacy skills were:**  Good. | | | |
| **How was the Attorney/client communication?**  I was unable to form an opinion regarding the attorney-client communication from today’s court hearing. | | | |
| **Case Stage-Specific Issues** | | | |
| Did the Attorney argue for pretrial release? | | | 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 the Petition Hearing? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney appear to adequately advise clients of the Consequences of  entering an admission to the petition allegation(s) and/or accepting a plea bargain and/or going to trial, including any collateral consequences? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney present mitigating evidence and provide argument at  the Disposition Hearing? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the Attorney address the Juvenile Probation Office Report and/or  Psychosexual Evaluation/Risk Assessment appropriately? | | | Yes / No / N/A |
| Did the court require juvenile(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:**  Kyle had 1 juvenile client on today’s court calendar:   1. First Client: Order to Show Cause hearing. The client, parent, guardian, and representative from the Division of Child and Family Services were not present in court when the hearing was first called. Although this is a Chapter 62 proceeding, the child is currently in the custody of the Division of Child and Family Services. The Guardian arrived a few minutes later and the case was recalled. Apparently, the Division of Child and Family Services did not have today’s court hearing on their calendar and did not appear. The court continued the hearing for 2 weeks and ordered that a representative from the Division of Child and Family Services shall appear and bring the child to the next hearing on 5/5/2025 at 11:00 a.m. | | | |