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Initial Assessment Docket

WICHITA, KAN. – The Initial Assessment Docket (“IAD”) is a program recently implemented to expedite the processing of criminal cases through the justice system of the 18th Judicial District. A crime *may* be eligible for the Initial Assessment Docket if it meets the screening criteria listed below. Each case is reviewed independently. Discovery, restitution and criminal history must be assessed and documented before the case is filed. The first IAD cases appeared on the summons docket on March 19, 2013.

Eligible:

Misdemeanor crimes

Drug crimes

- including all simple possession/paraphernalia/ cases
- felony prescription drug cases
- low “weight” possession with intent/distribution cases

Property crimes

- theft/criminal damage to property/burglary
- arson/explosives (limited to intent to defraud cases)
- worthless check/forgery/false information/financial card/financial computer crimes/identity theft/fraud

Ineligible:

-person crime felonies

-sex or sexually motivated crimes

-domestic violence (which include felonies and misdemeanors)

-crimes against especially vulnerable victims – children, elderly, et cetera

-crimes involving documented gang members

-crimes against/involving a defendant or victim who is a public official

-crimes involving co-defendants from an ineligible case – to be handled by the assigned attorney

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