

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF ANOKA

TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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**STANDING ORDER**

Re: Administrative Rejection of  
Public Defender Applications

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**WHEREAS**, in the following case types, litigants who are found to be indigent or without sufficient funds to retain counsel may qualify for the appointment of a public defender or court-appointed counsel:

Criminal Felony, Gross Misdemeanor, Misdemeanor  
Juvenile CHIPS/TPR  
Juvenile Delinquency/D-16  
Paternity  
Family Contempt, including child support contempt  
Civil Contempt

**WHEREAS**, in all other case types, litigants are not authorized to submit an application for appointment of a public defender; and

**WHEREAS**, granting court administration staff the authority to administratively reject applications for appointment of a public defender in all other matters will reduce the number of applications brought before the court and create case processing efficiencies.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Court makes the following order:

Anoka County Court administration staff may administratively reject applications to appoint a public defender in case types where there is no right to court-appointed counsel or public defender representation.

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HON. KRISTIN C. LARSON  
Chair, Anoka District Court Bench