

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE COUNTY OF GRAYS HARBOR**

IN THE MATTER OF)	EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
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Emergency Amendment to LCrR 3.1)	NO. <u>2026-2</u>
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IT IS ORDERED:

**LCrR 3.1
Indigent Defense**

(a) Application. This rule applies to all attorneys appointed to represent indigent defendants in misdemeanor, gross misdemeanor, and probation violation cases.

(b) Certification of Compliance with Misdemeanor Indigent Defense Standards

(1) Mandatory Certification. Pursuant to CrRLJ 3.1 Stds, no attorney shall be appointed to represent an indigent person unless the attorney is in compliance with CrRLJ 3.1 and 3.1 Stds.

(2) Quarterly Certification. Quarterly Certificates of Compliance shall be filed with Department 1 pursuant to CrRLJ 3.1 Stds as follows:

- a. **Submission Schedule:** Quarterly filings are due on or before the 10th day of March, June, September and December.
- b. **Required Content:** The certificate must affirm compliance with the Washington Supreme Court’s Standards and include verification that the attorney’s misdemeanor caseload does not exceed the current standard, including adherence to the phased reduction schedule, if any effective January 1, 2026.

(2) Standard Form. Attorneys shall use the Certification provided by the Grays Harbor Office of Public Defense and/or must be substantially as put forth in CrRLJ 3.1 Stds.

(3) Non-Compliance.

- a. If an attorney cannot certify compliance, they must immediately notify the Court.
- c. Any attorney who has not filed a certificate prior to appearing, or who is not in compliance with the applicable standards, must advise the court of this status at **every hearing** until compliance is achieved.

- d. The Court shall not assign further misdemeanor cases to an attorney who has failed to file the required quarterly certification until such certification is provided.
- e. Failure to file certification of compliance with the Court pursuant to this rule shall be reported by the Court to the Grays Harbor Office of Public Defense after 30 consecutive days of non-compliance through a notice of hearing for disqualification of attorney.

[effective March 1, 2026]

DATED this 13th day of February 2026.



Presiding Judge



Assistant Presiding Judge