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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FEE

Georgia Law requires every person who applies for legal defense services under Chapter 12 of Title 17 to pay the Public Defender Office (the entity providing the services) a single fee of **\$50.00** for the application for, receipt of, or application for and receipt of such services. [OCGA§15-21A-6(b)].

However, this application fee may not be imposed if the payment of the fee is waived by the court in which you are appearing. The court shall waive this fee if it finds that you are unable to pay the fee or that hardship will result if the fee is charged. [OCGA § 15-21A-6(b)].

If you would like to request a waiver, please fill out the attached verified motion form and have it notarized. You can get a waiver motion form from the Public Defender Office.

Please note that only the trial judge is authorized to waive this fee. If the fee is not waived, then it must be paid at the time services are undertaken or prior to the completion of your case. **IN ANY EVENT THE APPLICATION FEE MUST BE WAIVED OR PAID BEFORE YOUR CASE IS CLOSED.**

Only a money order in the amount of \$50 will be accepted for payment of this fee. *Please be sure the name of the person we represent is on the money order.*

Please make the money order payable to the:

Georgia Public Defender Standards Council
306 Tanner Street
Carrollton, GA 30117

Because a separate entity is receiving the funds, **PLEASE RETAIN YOUR RECEIPT FOR THE MONEY ORDER FOR YOUR RECORDS.**

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____