



## **Kent County Office of the Public Defender**

### **Request for Expert or Special Services**

#### **Directions for Requesting Attorneys:**

- Please supply all information requested on the next page.
- A clear and concise explanation for the request must document why there is a reasonable probability both that an expert (or service) will be of assistance to the defense and that denial of the request will result in a fundamentally unfair trial. If the expert is in support of an affirmative defense, there must be a substantial basis for the defense presented.
- The type of expert/service provider, their specific qualifications, and an estimate of cost **must be** included.
- Absent extraordinary circumstances, expenses for experts are capped by rates published by the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission for Standard 3.
- If the Indigent Defense Administrator believes a meeting is necessary to better understand the expert request, we will contact the listed attorney.
- Documents submitted as part of this request will be treated by the County's Indigent Defense Program as confidential client documents. Per MCL 780.987(10), such information is exempt from disclosure under Michigan's Freedom of Information Act.
- Email the request to [indigent-defense@kentcountymi.gov](mailto:indigent-defense@kentcountymi.gov).

<b>Expert or Special Services Request Information</b>	
Request Date:	
Case Number:	
Client Name:	
Client Date of Birth:	
Court/Type of next hearing (e.g. Prelim in Kentwood or Daubert hearing in 17 <sup>th</sup> ):	
Attorney Name:	
Attorney Phone:	Attorney Email:
Charge(s) for which expert or services are requested:	
Name of Expert / Service provider:	
Area of Expertise and Qualifications (e.g. cross-racial identification, toxicology, sexual assault forensic interviews; <u>if possible, please attach CV</u> ):	
Is expert anticipated to testify at trial?    Yes /    No (mark one)	
For what purpose(s) and/or hearing is expert or special services needed? Please provide <u>detailed</u> explanation of need for consultation/testimony:	
Estimated cost of services - Please set forth all relevant detailed fees (e.g. consultation fee, review of discovery fees, trial testimony fees, etc.; <u>if possible, attach fee documentation</u> ):	
Have you consulted with more than one expert?    Yes /    No (mark one)	