

Are you interested in trial work? in appearing in court?...you could do that representing individuals charged with a felony in Shawnee County District Court.

The Third Judicial District has a critical need for lawyers to represent indigent defendants...The Public Defender's Office and the Conflicts office have both recently lost lawyers and are presently severely understaffed. The panel of lawyers presently willing to take appointed cases is limited and may become overwhelmed by the time the other office are back to full staff.

Attorneys with little to no experience in court may be considered for appointment to represent defendants in low grade felony cases. Training and orientation will be provided. Attorneys could ask to have the number and/or types of cases limited given their experience and other considerations.

Applications are available in the Court Administrator's office, Shawnee County Courthouse, Room 406 or can be downloaded from <https://shawneecourt.org/DocumentCenter/View/550/Application-to-Represent-Indigent-Felony-Defendants?bidId=>

Completed applications should be returned to:

Court Administrator  
Shawnee County Courthouse  
200 SE 7th Street, Room 406  
Topeka, Kansas 66603

For inquiries, please call 785-251-6788

Payment for appointed counsel is provided out of the budget of the State Board of Indigents' Defense Service (BIDS) at the rate of \$100 per hour. Out of county attorneys may apply if their office/residence is in a nearby county.

Information about BIDS Reasonable Levels of Compensation can be found at <http://www.sbids.org/forms/ReasonComp.pdf>