



The Oscar Carl Jones Sr. **TULALIP TRIBAL COURT**

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Representation of Low-Income Criminal Defendants in Tulalip Tribal Court

The Tulalip Tribal Court seeks high-quality legal representation of low-income criminal defendants charged with misdemeanors and/or felonies in the Tulalip Tribal Court, where the public defenders cannot provide representation due to conflicts.

Attorneys are expected to establish an attorney/client relationship with the indigent client and determine what services to provide to the client to ensure adequate representation. Attorneys must also maintain professional practice standards in providing a level of legal service at or above minimum professional standards, Tulalip law and court rules, Rules of Professional Conduct of the Washington State Supreme Court, the Washington State Bar Association, the National Legal Aid and Defender Association, and any applicable case law and court rules that define the duties of counsel to their clients.

You must become a member of the Tulalip Bar before signing an Engagement Letter. The Tulalip Bar is an open book test where the attorney has 2 hours to answer 28 multiple choice questions. Attorneys may request a 30-day provisional license to practice law when they submit their application. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Providing legal representation and advocacy to low-income clients;
- Working with clients struggling with mental illness, drug addiction, or other issues;
- Initiating and maintaining the lawyer-client relationship;
- Investigation and case preparation;
- Attending all hearings;
- Preparing pleadings, motions, and correspondence
- Plea negotiation;
- Trial preparation and trial or disposition without trial; and
- Sentencing recommendations.

Professional Fees: The pay rate is \$100 dollars per hour, capped at \$1,100 per day or \$2,000 per case. Expenses are not included. No fees shall be paid separately for secretarial or clerical services. Any additional agreement regarding fees must be outlined in writing and signed by the Court Director.

Interested attorneys must email a letter of interest with a current résumé to:

Jehrad Kimble, Interim Tulalip Tribal Court Director, jkimble@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov

and

Stephanie Cultee, Executive Assistant for the Tulalip Tribal Court, scultee@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov

FOR MORE INFORMATION, please contact Jehrad and Stephanie via email or at 360-716-4778.