

**Faulk, Camilla**

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I hope they don't change this rule. I feel it is over the top as far as the victimization of the defendants. We always give them their rights and the Judge always asks if they understand and 99.9% of the time they just plea not guilty and screen for public defender, when they return they have representation. No decisions are made until they have spoken with an attorney. Most of the cases are resolved by their pre trial date with adequate representation. If the def wants to plea guilty the Judge usually advises them against it and they usually decide they would rather wait until they can talk to an attorney. Besides we hardly ever sentence anyone to a *[Cheryl Temple]* lot of jail time. If they are in custody generally speaking we send a court order releasing them and giving them a court date for them to appear to take care of their charges. Our warrants are always cash or bond, which makes it easier for them to bail out of jail, if they have a \$1000 warrant it would only cost them 10% of that amount for a bond to get out of jail.

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