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TO: Judicial and Legal Community

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RE: 2014 AMENDMENTS TO CrR 4.2(g) GUILTY PLEAS

On July 9, 2014, the Washington State Supreme Court adopted amendments to the CrR 4.2(g) Statement of Defendant on Plea of Guilty to Non-Sex Offense and the Statement of Defendant on Plea of Guilty to Sex Offense. The amendments become effective when they are published in the Official Advance Sheets, Washington Reports, 180 Wn. 2d No.8. The anticipated publication date is August 5, 2014. The amendments are based upon Laws of 2014, Ch.130, relating to offenses committed prior to reaching 18 years of age

The following table contains detailed descriptions of the changes:

1. CrR 4.2(g), Statement of Defendant on Plea of Guilty to Non Sex Offense			
In paragraph 6, insert the following as sub-paragraph 6(d):			
(d)		If I committed the above crime(s) while under age 18 and am sentenced to more than 20 years of confinement:	
	<i>(i)</i>	As long as my conviction is not for aggravated first degree murder or certain sex crimes, and I have not committed any crimes after I turned 18 or committed a major violation in the 12 months before the petition is filed, I may petition the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (Board) for early release after I have served 20 years.	
	(ii)	If I am released early because my petition was granted or by other action of the Sentence Review Board, I may be subject to community custody under the supervision of the DOC for a period of time determined by the Board. I will be required to comply with any conditions imposed by the Board.	
Renumber the rest of the paragraphs.			

2. CrR 4.2(g), Statement of Defendant on Plea of Guilty to Sex Offense

In paragraph 6, insert the following as sub-paragraph 6(d):

- (d) If I committed the above crime(s) while under age 18 and am sentenced to more than 20 years of confinement:
 - As long as my conviction is not for aggravated first degree murder or certain sex crimes, and I have not committed any crimes after I turned 18 or committed a major violation in the 12 months before the petition is filed, I may petition the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (Board) for early release after I have served 20 years.
 - (ii) If I am released early because my petition was granted or by other action of the Sentence Review Board, I may be subject to community custody under the supervision of the DOC for a period of time determined by the Board. I will be required to comply with any conditions imposed by the Board.

Renumber the rest of the sub-paragraphs in paragraph 6.