

District Drug Treatment Court Program

Referral Form

Pre-Plea Screenings. The DWI Drug Court Program will conduct a pre-plea screening on any offender who is likely to be found guilty at a Level 1 or Level 2. A pre-plea screening may be obtained by completing a DWI Drug Court referral form and submitting it to the Drug Court Office in Suite 4351. Please note the DWI Drug Court screening will not satisfy the statutory requirement for obtaining an assessment for DWI's. A letter will be sent to the defendant's attorney apprising him of the screening results and whether the defendant can be accepted into the program. This letter may be presented to the Judge at the defendant's sentencing.

Probation Violation Referrals to the DWI Drug Court Program from District Court are made after a finding that the defendant has violated the terms and conditions of the probationary sentence. The current officer is required to complete a DWI Drug Court referral form and submit it to the Drug Court Office in Suite 4351 with a copy of the violation report and original judgment attached. Once the referral is received in the DWI Drug Court office, the DWI case coordinator will contact the probationer and schedule his initial appointment. **Please make sure that the telephone number and address for the probationer is correct and listed on the referral form.** Should the client not be appropriate for the DWI Drug Court based upon the results of the screening and/or assessment the probation officer will be notified by the DWI case coordinator

Post-Plea Referral

1. The defense attorney should submit a completed referral form to the Drug Treatment Court Office located in Suite 4351 of the Mecklenburg County Court House.
Please make sure that the telephone number and address for your client is correct and is listed on the referral form as this is what we use to contact your client.
2. After conducting a record check to ensure they meet program eligibility requirements the DWI case coordinator will contact your client to schedule their initial appointment.
3. At this appointment, the case coordinator will conduct a brief orientation and administer a SASSI which is used to screen for chemical dependency.
4. If the defendant is found chemically dependent, the defendant will be scheduled for his treatment assessment appointment and given his DWI court admission date.
5. If the client is found not to be appropriate for the DWI Court program a letter will be sent to the defendant's attorney or the referring source to inform them of the screening results.

**Attorney & Probation Officers must bring completed referral for to Suite 4351
PLEASE SEE THE BACK OF THIS SHEET FOR ADDITIONAL REFERRAL INFORMATION**