

Public Defender Qualification Guidelines for 2015

I.C. 19-854(2) establishes the following persons *presumptively* qualify for court-appointed representation:

- (a) earn less than 187% of federal poverty guidelines;
- (b) receive (or their dependents receive) public assistance;
- (c) are currently serving a sentence in a correctional or mental health facility.

Size of Family Unit	100% of Poverty*	187% of Poverty/Year	187% of Poverty/Month
1	\$11,670	\$21,822.90	\$1,818.58
2	\$15,730	\$29,415.10	\$2,451.26
3	\$19,790	\$37,007.30	\$3,083.94
4	\$23,850	\$44,599.50	\$3,716.63
5	\$27,910	\$52,191.70	\$4,349.31
6	\$31,970	\$59,783.90	\$4,981.99
7	\$36,030	\$67,376.10	\$5,614.68
8**	\$40,090	\$74,968.30	\$6,247.36

*The following Federal Poverty Guidelines are issued by the US Dept. of Health and Human Services and are used in all states except Alaska and Hawaii. They are based on *gross income from all sources*.

**For family units of more than 8 members, add \$4,060 (to the 100% poverty rate guideline) for each additional member.