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FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT



VETERANS TREATMENT COURT

Participant Handbook

This handbook is designed to answer questions, address concerns and provide information about the program. Veterans Treatment Court participants will be expected to follow the instructions given by the judge, the coordinator, the probation officer and the treatment provider. All participants are encouraged to share this handbook with family and friends.

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ORIENTATION

WHO: Participants will be required to plead guilty and be sentenced to misdemeanor and/or felony probation before participating in the Veterans Treatment Court program. Participants may not be allowed to withdraw their guilty plea if they are terminated or withdraw from the Veterans Treatment Court program.

Participants are accepted into the Veterans Treatment Court program because of their criminal activity and Mental Illness / Substance Use Disorder. Due to the need of an increased level of community supervision, it's preferred that participants reside in Twin Falls County.

WHAT: The Veterans Treatment Court was developed using a broad base of veteran and community partners to address the local needs, relationships and circumstances of the criminal justice involved veteran. The Veterans Treatment Court program has four phases and takes a minimum of 12 months to complete which includes, judicial and probation supervision, individualized substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, linkage with veterans' benefits, mentoring and the use of incentives and sanctions. Participants are required to follow the instructions given by the judge, probation officer, treatment provider and the coordinator. The Veterans Treatment Court fee is \$100 per month.

WHEN/WHERE: Veterans Treatment Court is held on Tuesday at 4:30 pm in the Twin Falls County Courthouse.

WHY: The Veterans Treatment Court program goals are designed to:

- Help participants manage their mental illness/substance use disorder
- Ensure community safety
- Help people stop using alcohol, prescription drug abuse, illegal drugs and mind or mood altering substances
- Establish positive encounters with law enforcement officials and the court system
- Avoid jail
- Develop and maintain self-reliance to live independently
- Help you become a law abiding citizen and a productive member of your community

HOW: Veterans Treatment Court offers participants a chance to receive mental health treatment and substance abuse treatment instead of going to jail and/or prison. Each week the Veterans Treatment Court team will discuss participant progress. When the participant has met the program requirements, they receive a reward. If the participant does not meet the requirements for the week, they may have sanctions and/or rules placed upon them.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Participants must qualify under the guidelines as defined in Idaho Code 19-5604 for drug & mental health courts which states "Veteran" means any person who has been discharged or released from active duty in the armed forces and is entitled to VA medical benefits and has served on active duty for a period of more than one hundred eighty (180) consecutive days and have a primary diagnosis for a substance abuse and/or a mental health disorder. Bad conduct and Dishonorable discharges are not eligible for Veterans Treatment Court.

Exclusion Criteria / Disqualifying factors: Persons found guilty of a felony sex offense. In the case of historical sexual offenses, the Idaho Department of Correction will be consulted to determine if the applicant should be supervised as a sexual offender and therefore excluded from participation. Persons charged with, who have plead or found guilty of a felony crime of violence may be admitted with the approval of the prosecuting attorney.

TREATMENT- Upon acceptance into Veterans Treatment Court, participants will be assigned to a treatment provider. Participants are not allowed to seek out individual treatment outside of their assigned provider unless approved by the Veterans Treatment Court team. Treatment is designed to be a safe place where participants can learn to manage their mental health symptoms, substance use disorder, improve their social functioning and address flawed thinking patterns. Participants are required to:

- Show up on time, if a participant is sick they must show up to treatment and ask to be excused
- Be prepared with their homework completed
- Actively participate and engage by giving feedback to their peers
- Show progress by providing examples on how they apply treatment skills in their everyday life
- Be respectful towards staff and peers
- Follow their designated treatment plan and comply with all treatment recommendations
- Comply with medical recommendations including psychiatric medication
- Maintain the confidentiality of participants and of information disclosed in treatment.

NOTE: If a participant is late, not prepared or is disruptive in treatment they may be asked to leave and will be required to complete an incident report. Threats or acts of violence will not be tolerated. Medical documentation will be required in order to be excused from Veterans Treatment Court requirements in the event of illness or injury.

COMMUNITY SUPERVISION- As a condition of probation, Veterans Treatment Court participants waive their rights to Search and Seizure including personal property, electronic devices, cell phones, laptops, personal computers, etc. Participants that delete their electronic search history, call log and messages are subject to sanction. Any contact with law enforcement must be reported to the Veterans Treatment Court Coordinator and Probation Officer within 24 hours.

COURT ROOM RULES- Veterans Treatment Court participant are expected to dress appropriately for court. Clothing that contains violence, gang colors/symbols or explicit language, sexual, drug, or alcohol related themes is not allowed. Hats, sunglasses, sleeveless shirts, chewing gum, clothing that is too tight and/or too loose is not allowed in court.

NOTE: Be polite to the Judge, court personnel and those in the courtroom. Profanity is not tolerated. Turn off all electrical devices. Communication with inmates during court is not allowed.

DRUG TESTING– Participants will be tested throughout their participation in Veterans Treatment Court. Testing can and will occur 7 days per week including holidays.

- Participants must call the testing line **208-486-9895** daily after 5:45 a.m.
- Drug testing will be announced by Phase and/or UA number
- If you are unsure if you have to UA, report to the testing facility to follow up with staff
- Provide a photo ID at every test
- All tests are observed
- The coordinator may allow a participant to UA in the evening due to schedule conflicts. Evening testing must be approved by the coordinator
- Daily drug testing hours 6:30 am – 9:45 am
- Immediately notify the coordinator if the UA line is not updated at 5:45 a.m.

NOTE: Veterans Treatment Court participants will be required to immediately contact the coordinator or designee via telephone, email or in person if there is an issue with their urinalysis test (for example failure to appear, failure to produce, insufficient sample, positive test, etc).

DO NOT USE LIST- Participants are responsible for everything that they consume and/or ingest into their body. In order to prevent any drug testing issues do not possess or consume any of the following:

- Alcohol of any kind including 0% beer, wine, liquor, spirits, alcohol based mouthwash, OTC Cough medicine
- Controlled Substances Illegal and Prescription drugs without a valid or current prescription
- Expired medication / medication that does not have the original assigned pharmacy label
- Synthetic drugs including but not necessarily limited to Spice, Haze, K2, Bath Salts, CBD, Delta-THC or anything similar to these substances
- “Natural” or herbal remedies including Kratom, Kombucha tea
- Ketamine / Esketamine is prohibited
- Poppy seeds in any form
- Over the counter medicine containing Dextromethorphan
- Over the counter “Dietary Supplements”, “Mood Enhancers” or “Anxiety / Depression Supplements”
- Energy drinks including any Focus, Concentration, Libido and / or Energy supplements
- Excessive fluids, cleansing, detoxifying solutions
- Baking soda, bleach, charcoal
- Creatine supplements
- Vape Pens including but not necessarily limited to Pod vapes, Box vapes, E-Cigarettes or anything similar to these substances
- Do not dye, bleach or color your hair
- Any new tattoo’s or piercings

MEDICATIONS AND PRESCRIPTIONS- As a general rule, Veterans Treatment Court participants are expected to remain drug free. When seeking medical assistance participants must notify medical professionals of their participation in a recovery program and always ask for non-narcotic medication. If the medical professional feels that only a controlled substance is appropriate, the participant is required to obtain a written note from the provider indicating such.

NOTE: The Veterans Treatment Court team will consider whether the controlled substance can be approved or not. Using medication that has not been prescribed to the participant will not be tolerated. Giving, selling or trading medications to others will not be tolerated.

ASSOCIATIONS- Prosocial support is essential in recovery. Veterans Treatment Court participants are not allowed to associate with the following:

- People who use alcohol, illegal drugs, abuse prescription drugs
- People who are involved in illegal/gang activity
- People who are on community supervision
- Associations may be restricted at the courts / probation officers discretion

NOTE: Veterans Treatment Court participants are not allowed to enter into any contracts, agreements or transactions with other treatment court participants.

HOUSING- Veterans Treatment Court participants are required to maintain safe and sober housing. Any changes in housing must first be approved by their probation officer. A participant’s residence is subject to search by law enforcement at any time without a search warrant. Your probation officer must approve of and be aware of all residents living with the participant. Video surveillance equipment is not allowed in the participant’s residence.

EMPLOYMENT- All employment must be lawful and verifiable. Employment requests must be approved by the Veterans Treatment Court team. Participants must inform the prospective employer of their requirements in the Veterans Treatment Court program. Participants must make arrangements for their court appearances, treatment attendance, probation meetings, urinalysis testing and other Veterans Treatment Court obligations. Any changes to employment must be reported to the Veterans Treatment Court Coordinator and Probation Officer within 24 hours.

NOTE: Employment restrictions for disability, injury, illness will require documentation from your medical provider.

TRAVEL- All travel requests must be submitted 7 days in advance from the date of travel and must be approved by your probation officer. Overnight travel requests must be submitted along with a safety plan including drug testing and recovery support meeting locations in the area.

COURT COSTS: The Veterans Treatment Court fee is \$100.00 per month and must be paid in the originating county. Veterans Treatment Court fees must be paid in full prior to graduation. Each participant is required to develop and maintain a written budget with their case manager and probation officer. All additional probation fees, court costs, fines, fees and restitution associated with their criminal case(s) must be paid prior to discharge from probation. Participants are encouraged to save copies of their receipts and make their Veterans Treatment Court payments on a monthly basis. Participants may request a reduction of their Veterans Treatment Court fees based on financial hardship at the courts discretion.

NOTE: In the event that a participant has Laboratory confirmation testing, a dilute urinalysis test, a failure to produce urinalysis test or an insufficient urinalysis test the participant may be required to pay for any additional drug/alcohol testing fees.

RECOVERY SUPPORT MEETINGS: Participants will be required to participate in recovery support groups (i.e. Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Celebrate Recovery, Smart Recovery, Wellbriety). Attendance in recovery support groups is encouraged during Phase 1 and is mandatory in Phases 2, 3, and 4. These fellowships will help you understand how others with similar problems are able to recover from their addictions. If you have objections to attending faith based support groups you will be required to participate in a court approved alternative.

Participants may choose their meeting, time and location that works best for them. Participants will be required to provide proof of their meeting attendance upon request. Involvement in recovery support groups is vital to your recovery. Participants are expected to attend a minimum of (2) recovery support meetings per week. If a participant is not working full time, they must attend (5) recovery support meetings per week. **Failure to attend community support meetings may result in a sanction.**

PEER MENTOR: Participants must obtain a peer mentor. The purpose of a mentor is to assist the participant on their path to recovery. Participants are not allowed to engage in romantic relationships with their mentor. People on supervision, family members or friends may not serve as your mentor. The Peer Mentor must be approved by the Peer Mentor Coordinator.

INCENTIVES AND SANCTIONS- Incentives are given to reward good behavior. Sanctions are given to change bad behavior.

Possible Incentives:

Verbal Praise
Phase Promotion
Phase Advancement Certificate
Graduation

Possible Sanctions:

Verbal Warning
Written assignment
Community Service
Work Detail
Jail
Termination

**** This is not a complete list of possible incentives and sanctions****

PHASE I – Minimum of 30 days. In order to be successful in phase 1 you must attend all required program appointments and be willing to discuss your needs and concerns with members of the team.

- Attend Veterans Treatment Court every week unless excused or otherwise instructed by the Court Coordinator.
- Report to probation officer as directed.
- Cooperate with your treatment providers which may include daily medication monitoring if needed.
- Attend counseling as directed.
- Submit to random urinalysis, saliva, hair follicle, or breath alcohol tests as directed.
- Do not leave your county residence without permission of your probation officer. Out of county employment requires the approval of the Veterans Treatment Court Judge.
- Work towards managing your financial responsibilities by tracking income, expenses and making payments where necessary.
- Daily curfew is 8:00 PM – unless engaging in treatment, employment or an approved activity.
- 30 consecutive days of sobriety prior to phase advancement.
- Complete application for Phase advancement.

PHASE II – Minimum of 90 days. In order to be successful in phase 2 you must begin to apply the skills offered in all treatment areas and follow the terms of your probation.

- Attend Veterans Treatment Court 3 times per month instructed by the Court Coordinator.
- Report to probation officer as directed.
- Cooperate with treatment providers which may include daily medication monitoring if needed.
- Attend counseling as directed.
- Attend recovery support meetings as directed.
- Maintain contact with your sponsor.
- Submit to random urinalysis, saliva, hair follicle, or breath alcohol tests as directed.
- Do not leave the 5th Judicial District without permission of your probation officer.
- Pay your court fees monthly.
- Develop a plan to achieve your financial goals.
- Daily curfew is 10:00 PM – unless engaging in treatment, employment or an approved activity.
- 60 consecutive days of sobriety prior to phase advancement.
- Complete application for Phase advancement.

PHASE III – 90-180 days. In order to be successful in phase 3 you must constantly apply the skills offered in treatment and begin to identify and work on future goals and needs.

- Attend Veterans Treatment Court twice per month as instructed by the Court Coordinator.
- Report to probation officer as directed.
- Cooperate with treatment providers which may include daily medication monitoring if needed.
- Attend counseling as directed.
- Attend recovery support meetings as directed.
- Maintain contact with your sponsor.
- Submit to random urinalysis, saliva, hair follicle, or breath alcohol tests as directed.
- Do not leave the 5th Judicial District without permission of your probation officer.
- Pay your court fees monthly.
- Begin working towards your financial goals.
- Daily curfew is set at PO's discretion.
- 90 consecutive days of sobriety prior to phase advancement.
- Develop Community Service Project plan.
- Complete application for Phase advancement.

PHASE IV – 90-180 days. In order to be successful in phase 4 you must apply the skills offered in treatment as needed. As you prepare to complete Veterans Treatment Court pro-social activities are encouraged.

- Attend Veterans Treatment Court once per month as instructed by the Court Coordinator.
- Report to probation officer as directed.
- Collaborate with your mental health treatment providers which may include daily medication monitoring if needed.
- Attend counseling as directed.
- Attend recovery support meetings as directed.
- Maintain contact with your sponsor.
- Submit to random urinalysis, saliva, hair follicle, or breath alcohol tests as directed.
- Do not leave the 5th Judicial District without permission of your probation officer.
- Pay your court fees monthly.
- Continue working towards your financial goals.
- Daily curfew is set at PO's discretion.
- 90 consecutive days of sobriety prior to GRADUATION.
- Complete Community Service Project plan prior to graduation.
- Complete Long-term recovery plan.

Phase IV Project: The Phase IV project allows the participant an opportunity to apply their values, goals and skills towards a good cause leading to a positive impact in their community. Participants must present a written project proposal to the Veterans Treatment Court team for approval. It's recommended that participants volunteer at least 10 hours of their time towards the project.

TERMINATION– Participation in Veterans Treatment Court is voluntary and participants are eligible to voluntarily terminate themselves at any time. However, the original sentence may be imposed. Unsuccessful termination happens when the participant fails to follow the program rules which includes but is not limited to

- Dishonesty.
- Continued drug and alcohol use.
- Failure to engage and/or progress in the program.
- Receiving new criminal charges.
- Violence and/or threats of violence.
- Sexual harassment.
- Absconding / avoiding supervision.
- Threats or risks to public safety.

NOTE: Participants that are terminated from the program are entitled to their due process rights according to law before a sentencing judge. If the participant is found to have not committed the violations as alleged, they will be returned to Veterans Treatment Court for continued participation.

Graduation– We will celebrate you and your success. Family and friends are encouraged to attend your graduation. In order to graduate from Veterans Treatment Court you must accomplish the following minimum requirements

- 6 consecutive months of sobriety including alcohol, prescription drug abuse, illegal drugs, synthetic drugs and mind or mood altering substances.
- 12 months of steady employment unless retired, disabled, or full-time student.
- Successful completion of all court ordered treatment.
- Maintain contact with sponsor / sober support as directed.
- Regularly attend recovery support meetings as directed.
- Completion of all specialized probation terms.
- Veterans Treatment Court program fees must be paid in full.
- Completion of an approved Phase 4 project.
- Completion of a long term recovery plan.

NOTE: Graduates may petition the court and request that their criminal case(s) be dismissed and/or amended per Idaho Code 19-2604. The Veterans Treatment Court Judge may waive or alter the minimum graduation requirements at the courts discretion. Graduates may be required to appear before the court for status review hearings to monitor the graduate's progress at the courts discretion.

Veterans Treatment Court Contact List

TARC Drug Testing Center 630 Addison Ave. West Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 423-1194 Drug testing hours 6:30 AM – 9:45 AM
Felony Veterans Treatment Court Probation Officer Vincent Ortiz 731 Shoup Ave. W. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 736-3080 ext. 7250 vinortiz@idoc.idaho.gov
Misdemeanor Veterans Treatment Court Probation Officer Dennis Hatch 231 4 th Ave. N. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 736-2316 dhatch@tfco.org
Proactive Behavioral Health 264 Main Ave. E. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 734-0407
Veterans Treatment Court Coordinator Israel Enriquez 260 4 th Ave. North Suite B Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 736-4122 israel.enriquez@tfco.org
Veterans Court Admin. Assistant Abby Montano 260 4 th Ave. North Suite B Twin Falls, ID 83303	(208) 735-4374 abby.montano@tfco.org
Twin Falls Public Defender's Office 233 Gooding St. N. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 734-1155
Twin Falls VA Clinic 302 Idaho St. E. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 732-0959
Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Available 24 hours per day	988
Crisis Center of South Central Idaho 570 Shoup Ave. West Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 737-1128
Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation 650 Addison Ave. W., Suite 102 Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 736-2156
Veteran State Service Officer Bob Smith 650 Addison Ave. W. Suite 1076 Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	(208) 736-0719 bob.smith@veterans.idaho.gov
Veterans Justice Outreach Specialist Joshua Echeverria, LCSW 500 W. Fort St. Boise, Idaho 83702	(208) 422-1000 ext. 7698 joshua.echeverria@va.gov
Dan Gill Veteran Court Peer Mentor Coordinator	(208) 320-4919 kq6dqv@yahoo.com

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT VETERANS TREATMENT COURT CONTRACT

(Effective October 25, 2022)

I, _____, as a condition to my acceptance into Veterans Treatment Court hereby agree to accept and abide by the following terms and conditions for Veterans Treatment Court and hereby acknowledge that any waiver of my constitutional or statutory rights is voluntary, knowing, and intelligent and was reviewed and discussed with my attorney. I further understand that before I can be formally accepted into Veterans Treatment Court that I must have: (1) entered a plea of guilty to a qualifying criminal offense, (2) a qualifying diagnosis and (3) an eligible Veteran status. I therefore agree as follows:

1. ATTENDANCE. I shall report in person on the dates and times specified for all court dates; treatment groups; community support meetings; drug or alcohol testing; and any other dates and times specified by the Veterans Treatment Court team or the Veterans Treatment Court Coordinator. I will not leave or attempt to leave the state or my assigned district in an effort to abscond or flee supervision. I will be available for supervision as instructed by Veterans Treatment Court and will not actively avoid supervision. _____

2. MEDICATIONS. I understand that psychiatric treatment including medication management will be provided by the Veterans Treatment Court provider only. I will take psychiatric medications as prescribed and will comply with all treatment and medication recommendations. I will discuss any medication side effects with my provider. I understand that seeking or receiving psychiatric care from other sources will be subject to sanction up to and including termination. _____

3. MEDICATION MANAGEMENT. I will provide a list of all physicians and pharmacies used for non-psychiatric treatment. I understand that the use of additional doctors or pharmacies without prior approval will result in sanction by the court. I agree to inform my treating physician that I am dependent or addicted to narcotics and /or illegal drugs and/or alcohol and will request that my physician prescribe to me non-narcotic medications if medically reasonable. _____

4. CONDUCT. I will not make threats towards other participants or staff or behave in a violent manner. I understand that violent, threatening, provoking, discriminatory, or inappropriate sexual behavior will not be tolerated and may result in a sanction or termination from the Veterans Treatment Court program. _____

5. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES / ALCOHOL I shall not purchase, possess, or consume any ethyl alcohol, illegal drugs, designer synthetic drugs, prescription drugs without a valid prescription, drug paraphernalia or mood altering chemicals or substances. Any prescription or over-the-counter medication use must be immediately reported to the Veterans Treatment Court team for review. Abuse of or failure to report prescriptions or over the counter medications will result in a sanction. _____

6. TESTING. I agree to attend and participate in all required drug and /or alcohol testing as directed by the Veterans Treatment Court team. I understand that if my test sample is insufficient or diluted that my test sample may be deemed a positive test. If the results of the test indicate an adulterant has been used to interfere with the results, that test will be deemed to have been positive. Participants must provide a urine specimen within 60 minutes of the request or within the time allotted by any drug testing agency. _____

7. CONFIDENTIALITY. I agree to maintain the confidentiality of participants and of information disclosed in treatment. If a Veterans Treatment Court Participant breaks confidentiality, the circumstances involved will be carefully examined by the Veterans Treatment Court Staff and possible Court Sanctions may be applied which may include Termination from the Veterans Treatment Court Program. _____

8. CURFEW. I agree to comply with and obey any curfew that may be imposed by the Drug Court Staff. _____

9. RESIDENCE. I will reside in a location approved by Veterans Treatment Court. Any change of my residence must first be approved by the Veterans Treatment Court team. I will notify my probation officer and the Veterans Treatment Court Coordinator of any involuntary move from my residence within 24 hours. _____

10. LAWS AND COOPERATION. I shall respect and obey all laws and shall comply with any lawful request of Veterans Treatment Court or any law enforcement officer or agent of the Department of Probation & Parole, or Twin Falls County Magistrate Probation Officer. I understand that if I should receive new criminal charges during my participation in Veterans Treatment Court for an offense that occurred before or after my acceptance into Veterans Treatment Court that such an occurrence could result in my termination from Veterans Treatment Court. I will notify the Veterans Treatment Court Coordinator and my Probation Officer of any law enforcement contact within 24 hours.

11. TRANSPORTATION. I understand that it is my responsibility to provide transportation for myself to attend treatment; court appearances and any other requirements of Veterans Treatment Court. Further I will not operate a motor vehicle without a valid license, registration, insurance (and interlock device if applicable). _____

12. ASSOCIATIONS. I will not associate with anyone who is committing a law violation; who is on probation or parole; or who is a convicted felon without first obtaining permission from the Veterans Treatment Court team. Participants are required to provide a list of all associates (first and last names) to the Veterans Treatment Court Probation Officer for approval. I will also not associate with any group or individual as ordered by Veterans Treatment Court. _____

13. TRAVEL. I shall not leave this State or the Fifth Judicial District without first obtaining written permission from Veterans Treatment Court. _____

14. EMPLOYMENT / EDUCATION. I shall seek and maintain gainful, verifiable, full-time employment (if applicable within the limits of a documented disability), be enrolled as a fulltime student or participating in such programs as approved by Veterans Treatment Court. I understand that a change of employment or education shall not occur without prior written permission of Veterans Treatment Court. _____

15. SEARCH AND SEIZURE. I agree and consent to the search and/or seizure of my person, automobile, residence, real property, and any other property (including electrical devices), at any time, and at any place, by any law enforcement officer, peace officer, or probation officer and hereby knowingly, intelligently and voluntarily waive my rights under the Fourth Amendment and the Idaho constitution concerning searches. _____

16. WEAPONS / CONTRABAND. I shall not purchase, carry, own or have in my possession or control any firearm, ammunition, explosives, archery equipment, projectiles or weapons of any type. I will not reside at any location where firearms are present. I will not possess or control any law enforcement or surveillance equipment, including but not limited to, scanners, video surveillance, handcuffs or handcuff keys. _____

17. COURT COSTS. I shall pay any and all Veterans Treatment Court Fees as directed by the Veterans Treatment Court Judge. I understand that graduation from Veterans Treatment Court is conditioned on the payment of all Veterans Treatment Court fees, court fines and restitution. The Veterans Treatment Court Judge may waive Veterans Treatment Court fees at the courts discretion. _____

18. BUDGET. Participants are required to maintain an accurate working budget and to follow the financial advice and/or directions of the Veterans Treatment Court team. Participants are expected to submit their budget to the Veterans Treatment Court team for review upon request and for each change in phase. _____

19. PROBATION. Compliance with all terms and conditions of probation listed in your Judgment of Conviction and / or Probation Order is a requirement of Veterans Treatment Court. _____

20. HONESTY. Participants shall be truthful in all communications with the Veterans Treatment Court team. I shall not cheat, tell any lie, or exaggerate or minimize my statements, conduct or actions in anyway. I understand that a key component of my recovery is honesty, responsibility and accountability for my conduct, behavior and actions.

21. EVALUATION AND PROGRAM PLAN. I shall meaningfully participate in and successfully complete any treatment, counseling or other programs deemed beneficial and as directed by the Veterans Treatment Court program. _____

22. CLIENT CONSENT TO EX PARTE COMMUNICATION. As a participant in the Fifth Judicial District Veterans Treatment Court, I have been informed that under ordinary circumstances, a prosecuting attorney is not permitted to communicate with me about my case without the consent of my lawyer or an order from a court. I have also been informed that my defense attorney is not permitted to communicate with a judge without the prosecuting attorney being present. However, because of the nature of the Fifth Judicial District Veterans Treatment Court and the Veterans Treatment Court team's frequent need to make decisions regarding my participation, I consent to and authorize the State's attorneys to communicate with me without my lawyer being present during my participation in the Fifth Judicial District Veterans Treatment Court program. I also consent to and authorize my lawyer to communicate ex parte with the judge regarding my participation in the Fifth Judicial District Veterans Treatment Court program. _____

23. ADDITIONAL RULES. I understand that additional requirements may be imposed upon me. All additional rules will be explained to the participant and/or provided in writing. Additional rules may include but are not limited to No Contact Orders, Community Service, Work Detail, Written Reports, Payment Agreements, Reporting, Jail, etc. I further understand that I could be expelled from Veterans Treatment Court if I breach any express term or condition of this contract or if in the opinion of the Veterans Treatment Court staff I am not satisfactorily progressing through the Veterans Treatment Court program, the treatment phases or if I am not doing what is expected of me. _____

I have read, or have had them read to me, the above agreement. I understand and accept these conditions of supervision. I agree to abide by and conform to them and understand that my failure to do so may result in my termination from the Veterans Treatment Court Program.

Participant Signature

Defense Attorney Signature

Date

Date