



### Property Information

If you had personal property taken from you when you were arrested, you may be able to have it returned from the police district or other police agency at which you were processed. If you do not know that location, and/or the agency that arrested you, PSA may be able to help you obtain this information.

**\*Keep this brochure with your important papers\***

## PRETRIAL SERVICES AGENCY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



### Defendant Assistance Information: *You Have Been Charged*

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202-220-5500  
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## Pretrial Services Agency's Mission Statement

The mission of the Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia (PSA) is to promote pretrial justice and community safety by assisting judicial officers in making appropriate release decisions, and by providing supervision and pro-social interventions to defendants released into the community.

**DC Superior Court**  
**Criminal Case Information**  
**202-879-1373**

**PSA General Information**  
**202-220-5666 (24 hours)**

### **DC SUPERIOR COURT** **500 Indiana Avenue, NW**

Release Services Unit  
Room C-301 / 202-585-7077

For assistance with court dates, missed court appearances or to request a referral for a social services assessment.

Drug Testing and Compliance Unit  
Room C-220 / 202-585-7060

### **US DISTRICT COURT** **333 Constitution Avenue, NW**

District Court Unit  
Room 2507 / 202-442-1000

### **PRETRIAL SERVICES AGENCY** **601 Indiana Avenue, NW**

General Supervision Unit  
2nd, 3rd and 10th Floors / 202-585-7955

Social Services and Assessment Center  
7th Floor / 202-442-1660

Specialized Supervision  
(Mental Health) Unit  
9th Floor / 202-442-1920

### **PRETRIAL SERVICES AGENCY** **633 Indiana Avenue, NW**

Superior Court Drug Intervention Program  
(Drug Court)  
9th Floor / 202-220-5505

New Directions Program  
9th Floor / 202-220-5570

Satellite Drug Testing Unit  
9th Floor / 202-220-5546

High Intensity Supervision Program  
10th Floor / 202-220-5530

DC Misdemeanor/Traffic Initiative  
10th Floor / 202-220-5770

## What Just Happened?

You have been charged in a criminal case in DC Superior Court. The judge in the courtroom where you were seen has decided to release you until your next court appearance. You have made a promise that you will show up for all of your court appearances. To help you keep your promise and to assure community safety, the judge may have ordered you to follow certain conditions of release. Your conditions of release are found on your release order (the blue piece of paper you signed and received in the courtroom).

**You must follow all of the conditions of release ordered by the judge. If you violate any one of those conditions, the judge could change your conditions, or revoke those conditions and incarcerate you until your case is resolved. You also could face a new criminal charge for contempt of court. You must show up for all of your court dates. If you do not report for any court date, a bench warrant will be issued for your arrest and you could receive a new charge simply for failing to appear. If you do miss a court appearance, contact your lawyer and call PSA's Release Services Unit (202-585-7077) as soon as possible in order to resolve the bench warrant.**

## PSA's Role and Services Available Through PSA

PSA is responsible for monitoring certain conditions of release, such as drug testing, location monitoring, curfew, and other conditions, imposed by the judge. Many defendants will be assigned to a Pretrial Services Officer (known as your PSO or your case manager) who is responsible for notifying the court if these conditions are, or are not, being followed.

While your case is pending, PSA can help you in a variety of ways. PSA can help you voluntarily surrender on an outstanding bench warrant, obtain drug treatment, mental health treatment, or other social services (such as temporary shelter, government-issued identification, job listings, GED, etc.). If you feel you need any of these services, talk to your PSA case manager or contact the PSA Social Services Assessment Center at 202-442-1660. Be sure to stay in touch with your case manager, especially if you change your address or phone number.

**YOU ARE REPRESENTED BY A LAWYER. BE SURE TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH YOUR LAWYER, ESPECIALLY IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER.**

**YOUR LAWYER'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_  
**YOUR LAWYER'S PHONE NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_  
**YOUR CASE NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_