

# King County District Court Probation

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### Judicial terms

- ***Abscond***: Avoiding active supervision or court proceedings on purpose.
- ***Active Probation/Active Supervision***: Personally reporting to a Probation Officer within the King County District Court Probation Department
- ***Compliance Monitoring***: Being monitored by the Probation Department to ensure compliance, but without reporting requirements
- ***Concurrent sentence***: Two or more sentences served at the same time
- ***Consecutive sentence***: Two or more sentences served one after the other
- ***Conviction***: A judgement of guilt against a criminal defendant
- ***Deferred sentence***: The Court may withdraw the guilty finding and dismiss the charge if you follow the sentence conditions that are ordered
- ***Gross misdemeanor vs. Misdemeanor***
  - *Gross misdemeanor*: A sentence with up to 364 days in jail and up to a \$5,000 fine
  - *Misdemeanor*: A sentence with up to 90 days in jail and up to a \$1,000 fine
- ***Impose***: To establish or apply as a charge or penalty. Example: impose jail time or community service
- ***Jurisdiction***: A Court's authority to hear, decide and monitor a case/sentence. It also means the amount of time you're on probation.

- **Quash:** To set aside or overturn. Example: quashing a warrant.
- **Revoke:** To cancel or withdraw. Example: revoking jail time.
- **Sanction:** Penalty given when the Court Order is not followed. Example: Imposing jail time.
- **Suspended sentence:** Jail time is suspended if a criminal defendant follows certain conditions. This suspended jail time can be imposed for failure to comply with conditions.