



# Tulsa County Public Defenders Office

Tulsa, Oklahoma

Number of Public Defenders

43

Number of Gideon's Promise Defenders

7

Types of Cases Fellows Will Handle

Criminal Misdemeanors & Juvenile Delinquent Cases

## About our Office

The Tulsa County Public Defenders are located in Ray Jordan Building at the Tulsa County Courthouse. The Public Defender's office is divided into Criminal Defense Division, Juvenile Defense Division, Child Advocacy and Appellate Division. The criminal defense attorneys represent people charged with a misdemeanor and felony crimes. The attorneys of the Child Advocacy Division of the Tulsa County Public Defender's Office are appointed to represent minor children in domestic, guardianship and adoption cases. The Child Advocacy Division attorneys also advocate for the legal interests and expressed preferences of their clients. In addition, the appellate division handles a variety of appellate issues. These include reviewing felony and misdemeanor trial convictions, revocation of suspended sentences, acceleration of deferred sentences, and denial of applications to withdraw guilty pleas. Their mission is to serve its clients by providing the highest quality of legal representation available from any source and also to achieve the best possible results for the individual based upon the unique circumstances of each client's life and to reduce human suffering by providing continuing assistance to those clients who request our help in dealing with the issues that led to their involvement in the legal process system.





## About the Fellowship

(1) Our office are willing to fund 2 fellows. (2) We have a serious need in Oklahoma due to a number of factors including laws and sentencing and one of the highest incarceration rates in the world. In the past 5 years, we have expanded our ability to provide out of court support for our clients through court navigation, and providing representation at bond docket and cost dockets. (3) We also have a robust in-house training and mentorship program.

## Words from the Office

“The Tulsa County Public Defender's Office is committed to providing high quality legal representation to each of the clients we serve. Gideon's Promise has been instrumental in supporting our office in developing core values which reflect our office culture. We are incredibly proud of the culture that we have built. Our office is collaborative, every person is treated as a respected and valued team member. We recognize the vital importance in providing training, mentorship and support. Gideon's Promise is a key partner in helping us to provide this training and support. We value applicants who are committed to the mission of public defense and are motivated to rise to the challenge of public defense in a state that remains largely conservative.”

Glen Blake  
Deputy Chief Public Defender  
Tulsa County Public Defenders Office

