

As a participant in Veterans Court you will be ordered to:

- Sign a treatment/participation contract
- Appear at all scheduled court dates
- Report to probation as directed and follow all recommendations
- Abstain from use of alcohol and all illegal substances
- Avoid all criminal behaviors
- Report all changes in your status (i.e. contact information, address, etc.) to probation and VA case manager immediately.

You may also be ordered to:

Submit to random chemical testing when directed by any member of the treatment team (i.e. VA, probation, case managers, etc.)

Follow the recommendations of the VA or community-based agency for treatment or supportive services to which you are referred by Veterans Court

Obtain a valid driver's license

Obtain employment

Other conditions imposed by the Court:



Notes:

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HENNEPIN COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

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<http://mncourts.gov/district/4/?page=4010>

For more information please call:

612-348-2282



MINNESOTA JUDICIAL BRANCH

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Veterans Court

Participant Information

The Hennepin County Veterans Court is a problem solving court intended for persons who have been charged or convicted of a crime and have served in the U.S. Armed Forces and are experiencing a treatable behavioral, mental, or chemical health problem.



What is Veterans Court?

Separate individualized criminal court case scheduling and processing in a voluntary 12-18 month program that includes:

- ◇ Ongoing Judicial Supervision
- ◇ Intensive Probation Supervision
- ◇ Access to a multi-disciplinary team providing services and input

What are the Benefits of participating in Veterans Court?

- Access to VA benefits: improved and/or advanced access to VA medical, disability benefits
- Access to services (ex. Chemical dependency, PTSD & TBI programs)
- Employment and housing assistance
- Improved family relationships and social support connections
- Improved life stability
- Enhanced access to County Veterans Service Office
- Possible avoidance of incarceration
- Earlier access to treatment

What will happen if I do not comply with Veterans Court?

- Increased reporting to the Judge, Probation and VA case manager
- Increased drug testing
- Incarceration
- Restriction of privileges
- Removal from program and imposition of sentence

What will happen if I successfully complete Veterans Court?

- As determined by the court, charges may be reduced, dismissed, or a reduced sentence
- Probationers may be placed on administrative probation and subject to minimal requirements
- Consideration for a role as a mentor to subsequent Veterans Court participants
- Awarded a completion certificate and a challenge coin

Veterans Court Team



Members of your Veterans Court Team

Judge: _____

Probation Officer: _____

Phone: _____

Veterans Justice Outreach Specialist (VA):

Phone: _____

Attorney: _____

Phone: _____

Veterans Court Location:

**Hennepin County Government Center
Court Room 1659**