

attorney who qualifies and is eligible for appointment as counsel for an indigent individual.

The former reference to an attorney who "qualifies" for appointment as counsel to an indigent individual is deleted as implied in the reference to an attorney who "is eligible" for appointment.

The former reference to an indigent individual "as defined by this article" is deleted as surplusage.

The reference to an "attorney" is substituted for the former reference to a "counsel" to conform to the terminology used throughout this title.

Defined term: "Indigent individual" § 16-101

(G) REGIONAL ADVISORY BOARD.

"REGIONAL ADVISORY BOARD" MEANS A PUBLIC DEFENDER REGIONAL ADVISORY BOARD.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27A, § 10(a).

(H) SERIOUS OFFENSE.

"SERIOUS OFFENSE" MEANS:

(1) A FELONY;

(2) A MISDEMEANOR OR OFFENSE PUNISHABLE BY CONFINEMENT FOR MORE THAN 3 MONTHS OR A FINE OF MORE THAN \$500;

(3) A DELINQUENT ACT THAT WOULD BE A SERIOUS OFFENSE IF COMMITTED BY AN ADULT; OR

(4) AN OFFENSE IN WHICH, IN THE OPINION OF THE COURT, THE COMPLEXITY OF THE MATTER OR THE YOUTH, INEXPERIENCE, OR MENTAL CAPACITY OF THE ACCUSED REQUIRES REPRESENTATION OF THE ACCUSED BY AN ATTORNEY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27A, § 2(h).