
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the reassignment of a defendant's case when the right to a jury trial has been waived.

Present law provides for the right of a defendant to waive a jury trial.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law requires the random reassignment of a defendant's case among all the remaining judges who are assigned criminal matters within their divisions or sections immediately following the filing of the defendant's motion pursuant to present law in a district court with three or more judges who are assigned criminal matters.

Proposed law authorizes the district attorney to file a motion to waive reassignment of the defendant's case within 10 days of the granting of a motion to waive trial by jury. Further requires the district court to grant any motion to waive reassignment.

(Amends C.Cr.P. Art. 780(B))