

**431.515 Pretrial release investigation and services -- Provision of information on services and programs for combat veterans.**

- (1) All trial courts in this Commonwealth having jurisdiction of criminal causes shall provide such pretrial release investigation and services as necessary to effectuate the purposes of KRS 431.510 to 431.550, including KRS 431.518, and, where practical, to assist in the earliest possible determination of:
  - (a) Whether a person is a needy person under KRS Chapter 31; and
  - (b) Whether a person has been in combat by asking the question, "Have you served in the National Guard or the United States Armed Forces and been in combat?" during the pretrial release investigation.
- (2) The Supreme Court may by appropriate rule or order establish and provide for such pretrial investigation and release services including, where practical, the taking of financial statements, and the court's determination of whether a person is a needy person as provided in KRS 31.120.
- (3) Pretrial officers shall give contact information on the Kentucky National Guard Family Services Program within the Kentucky Department of Military Affairs or similar programs which provide a full range of services for combat veterans to any person who states that he or she has been in combat, including an opportunity to call the program during the interview.

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