

## EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT VETERANS TREATMENT COURT

*Presiding Judge:* Linda Bell

*Hearing Dates:* Alternating Mondays 9:30 a.m.  
Courtroom 17, RJC

***Purpose:***

*The Veteran's Treatment Court serves U.S. Military Veterans involved in the criminal justice system who suffer from service-related substance abuse and mental health issues by providing treatment for these behavioral health issues. Upon successful completion of Veterans Treatment Court, certain charges may be dismissed and immediately sealed.*<sup>1</sup>

***Treatment includes:***

- Regular random drug testing (urine tests),
- Intensive individual and group substance abuse and mental health counseling,
- Trauma focused therapies and wellness education,<sup>2</sup>
- Vocational education and guidance,
- Collaborative case management,
- Medical services (including but not limited to TBI, pain management, etc.),
- Regular court reviews.

***Eligibility:***

- Participants must be veterans or members of the U.S. Military,
- Participants must qualify for services through the Veteran's Administration,<sup>3</sup>
- Participants must have a service-related substance abuse or mental health issue,
- Participants must have no or low-level history of violence,
- Participants must not have been charged/convicted of sexual offenses, or crimes involving a child, and
- Applications will be reviewed by the VTC team to confirm eligibility requirements are met.

*Cost:* \$65/month with an annual cost of \$780/year not to exceed total court fees of \$1,500.

*Length:* Minimum program length is 18 months.<sup>4</sup>

*Provider:* Veteran's Administration                      Or                      Vet Center  
*Contact person:* Nancy Taylor                      *Contact Person:* Kris Anderson  
(702) 754-4645    (702) 791-9170

*Application:* Complete Specialty Court Application **and** VA ROI and send both documents to [SpecialtyCourts@clarkcountycourts.us](mailto:SpecialtyCourts@clarkcountycourts.us)

*Coordinator:* Danika Navar (702)-671-0734 or [NavarD@clarkcountycourts.us](mailto:NavarD@clarkcountycourts.us)

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<sup>1</sup> Misdemeanor DUI/DV charges must be a first offense: such charges can be conditionally dismissed but cannot be sealed for 7 years.

<sup>2</sup> Additional services include detoxification services, anger management and impulse control treatment, and medically assisted treatment when indicated.

<sup>3</sup> In order to qualify for VA benefits, a veteran or member of the U.S. Military must generally be (1) honorably discharged and (2) have been on active duty for not less than two years unless they have a service-related injury.

<sup>4</sup> Participation may be longer than one year, depending on a participant's participation and compliance. Felony DUI participants who are referred to the VTC will continue in the program for a three year period and will pay \$65/month for a total due for court fees not to exceed \$1,500.