

**APPELLATE DEFENDER ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 620 of 1978**

**780.717 Special assistant appellate defenders; appointment; duties; payment on contract basis; practice of law not restricted.**

Sec. 7. The appellate defender may appoint special assistant appellate defenders to represent indigent persons or to assist in the representation of an indigent person at any stage of appellate or post conviction proceedings, upon rules adopted by the commission. Special assistant appellate defenders shall be paid on a contract basis approved by the commission within funds available to the commission and shall not be subject to the restrictions on the practice of law contained in section 4.

**History:** 1978, Act 620, Imd. Eff. Jan. 6, 1979.