Montana Public Defender Commission

Practice Standards

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Section X, Representation Standards for Appellate Advocacy

X. REPRESENTATION STANDARDS FOR APPELLATE ADVOCACY

Goal:

To actively and effectively represent clients in the appellate process by presenting for appellate review all legal issues that have a reasonable probability of resulting in reversal of the client's conviction or commitment, or improving his or her legal position. Attorneys representing appellants shall comply with the general standards for public defenders as well as these specific Standards.