

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS15128-LL-131 (3/14)

Short Title: Copies of Files/Appointed Appellate Attorneys. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Kinnaird.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT THE CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT IS
RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING COPIES OF THE TRIAL FILE TO
APPOINTED APPELLATE COUNSEL IN INDIGENT CASES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7A-452 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(e) In cases in which an indigent person has entered notice of appeal and appellate counsel has been appointed by the Office of Indigent Defense Services, the clerk of superior court shall make a copy of the complete trial division file in the case, make a copy of documentary exhibits upon request, and furnish those files and any requested exhibits to the appointed attorney."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.