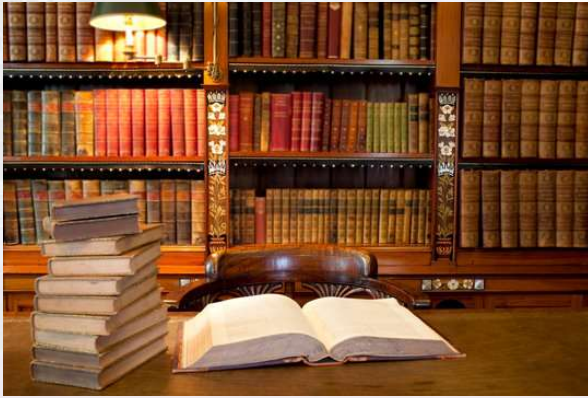


Getting Answers: NC PRO & More



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Resources

- Online Resources
- Books/Primers/Guides
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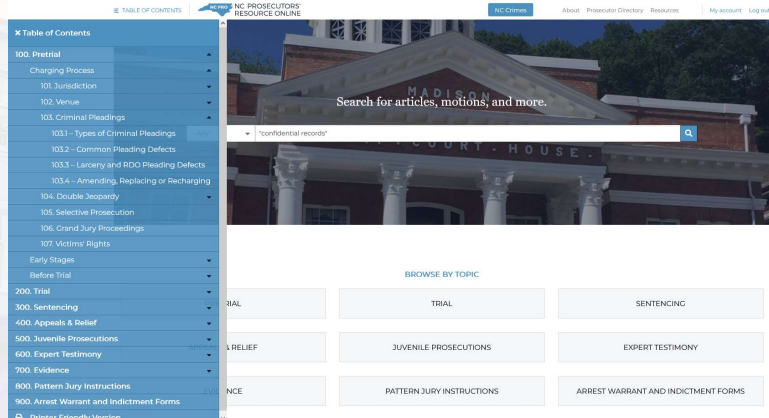
Online #1: NC PRO

What it Covers:

- Criminal Procedure
- Evidence
- Sentencing
- Experts
- Appeal/MAR
- AWIF
- Jury Instructions

Home Page:

- Search: Menu, Keyword, Topic
- Latest Updates
- Directory
- Related Resources



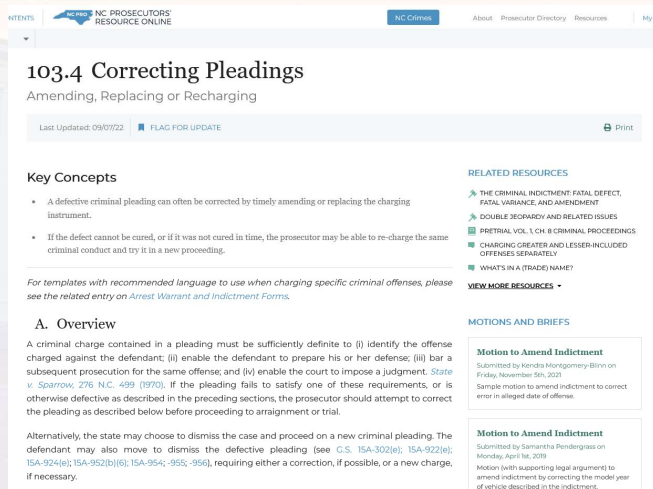
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NC PRO Entries

How to Use it:

- Key Concepts
- Cross-references
- Related Resources
- Motions/Briefs
- Case/Statute Links
- Practice Pointers
- Print
- Flag for Update
- Submit Brief



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PRO Tips

Print table of contents

Filter Directory

Successful Searching

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Online #2: NC Crimes

- What it Covers:
 - Offenses, elements
 - Charging issues
- Helpful Tips:
 - Keyword search
 - Expand the supplement
 - Check related or not covered offenses

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Online #3: Criminal Law Blog

- What it Covers:
 - All criminal topics
 - Case/legislation updates
- Helpful Tips:
 - Search by word, topic, author
 - Subscribe to email list
 - Know defense arguments/holes

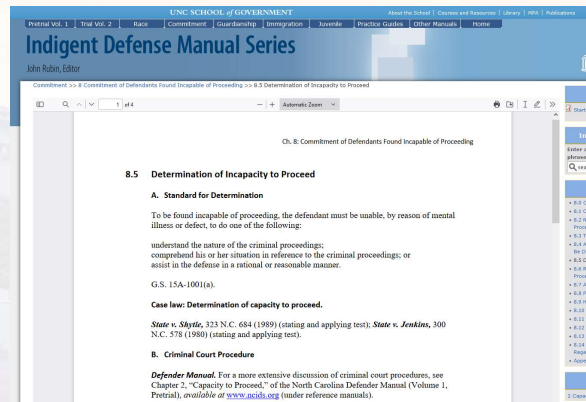


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Online #4: Defender Manual

- What it Covers:
 - Procedure and Practice
 - Special topics like capacity, MAR
- Helpful Tips:
 - Index or keyword search
 - Navigate by side menus
 - Know defense arguments/holes
 - Link to defense resources on expunction, collateral consequences



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Online #5: Benchbook

NC SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES' BENCHBOOK
School of Government, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Jessica Smith (Ed.)

TRIAL IN THE DEFENDANT'S ABSENCE
Jessica Smith, UNC School of Government (March 2018)

Contents

- I. The Right to Be Present at Trial.....1
- II. Waiver of the Right to Be Present at Trial.....1
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 - B. Types of Waivers.....1
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- I. **The Right to Be Present at Trial.** A criminal defendant has a constitutional right to be present at every stage of his or her trial. *State v. Braswell*, 312 N.C. 255, 506 (1985); *State v. Daniels*, 337 N.C. 243, 256 (1994); *State v. Huff*, 325 N.C. 1, 29 (1989), vacated

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- What it Covers:
 - Procedure, Rules
 - Evidence
 - Judicial Authority
- Helpful Tips:
 - Search/index options
 - Judges' go-to resource
 - Deeper on some issues

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Online #6: Other Resources

- Lesser-known sources:
 - Rules of Practice
 - Court Forms
 - NC App/NCSC cases
 - NC Statutes
 - Case Compendium
 - Rules of Recordkeeping

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articles, motions, and more.

- Smith's Case Compendium
- N.C. Court Opinions
- AOC Court Forms
- Pattern Jury Instructions
- General Statutes
- NC Criminal Law Blog
- Court Calendars
- Conference of District Attorneys
- N.C. Attorney General
- Superior Court Judges' Benchbook
- Indigent Defense Manual Series
- NC Crimes
- NC General Rules of Practice

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Manuals, Guides, and Primers

Ask or search – there are more than you might think!

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Phone a Friend...



- Think about...
 - Elected or Chief Assistant
 - Veterans in your office
 - LEO agency attorneys
 - State Bar
 - Defense attorneys*
- Or an outsider perspective – spouse, friend, mom...

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Questions/Comments?

Key Takeaways:

- 1) This job is open-book
- 2) Help is ready, willing, and available if you need it
- 3) Whatever it is, someone else has probably dealt with it before

