Selected Criminal Issues New Clerks School UNC School of Government March, 2011 Clerks' Powers and Duties in Criminal Cases • Maintain accurate records • Take guilty pleas/waivers of trial • Issue warrants • Set pretrial release conditions • Conduct initial appearance and first appearances Issues • Releasing vehicles in DWI cases • Criminal bonds—taking and forfeiting • Determining jail credit • Criminal record checks • Public record requests

ExpunctionsHandling evidence

• Conducting first appearances