

Pretrial Services (Adult)

418.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The San Diego County Probation Department is committed to providing the highest quality of services to clients by using evidence-based practices (EBP). Pretrial Services leverages collaborative partnerships with other agencies to provide safe release to the community and support clients in a fair, effective, and timely manner during their pretrial phase. The goals are to support and facilitate attendance at all future Court hearings and provide interventions and linkages to prevent further criminal involvement pending disposition.

418.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Probation Department to provide pretrial services to all clients released by the San Diego Superior Court on a Supervised Own Recognizance (SOR) status to promote the safe, efficient, fair, and timely pretrial release of individuals pending disposition (Penal Code § 1318; SB10, 2018). It is important to remember most SOR clients have not been convicted in the case for which they have been referred and Probation does not have full jurisdiction over their liberty. While Adult Reintegration and Community Supervision Services focuses primarily on felony matters, Pretrial Services will be provided for all clients ordered released SOR by the San Diego Superior Court.

418.3 REFERENCES

Penal Code § 1318

SB 10 (2018)

SB 36 (2019)

In re Humphrey, 482 P.3d 1008 (Cal. 2021)

For further guidance see the Pretrial Services Procedure