

PROBATION

Probation is a court-ordered period of supervision for individuals who have been convicted of a crime. It is often used as an alternative to incarceration for first-time offenders or those with minor offenses. The probation officer monitors the individual's behavior and reports back to the court. Violations of probation can result in a return to prison.

Probation is typically granted for a period of 1 to 3 years. During this time, the individual must follow certain conditions, such as attending counseling, staying out of trouble, and reporting to the probation officer. The court may also impose other requirements, such as community service or restitution.

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