

## Probation Service

### Ambulanter Sozialer Dienst

der Justiz NRW

bei dem Landgericht Duisburg

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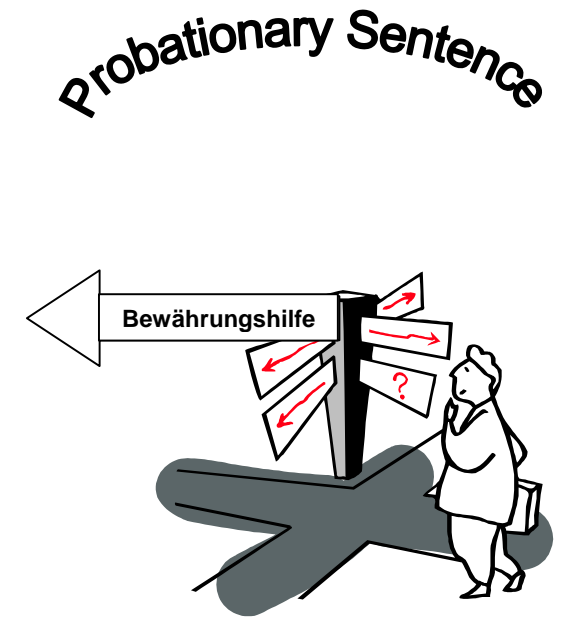
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- by tram line 102 or 901, tram stop  
Mülheim – Stadtmitte
- a 10 minutes' walk from the central  
station



**An Opportunity!**

### **What is a Probationary Sentence?**

- You have been sentenced to a Custodial Sentence under the Youth Justice System or to a normal custodial sentence or
- You have served a custodial sentence and have been released on parole.  
The total custodial sentence or the remainder of the custodial sentence is served on parole.

### **Parole/Probationary Sentence means:**

- The Court has decided a **probationary period** for you, during which you are given the opportunity to prove that you can take charge of your own life without re-offending.
- If you are successful the sentence will be suspended after the expiry of the probationary period.
- However, if you commit further offences during your probationary period or if you are in breach of the Court's conditions and/or directions the probationary period can be revoked. In this case you will be serving your sentence in custody.

### **The Probation Officer ...**

- Is a trained social worker/social pedagogue
- Will be assigned to you by the Court
- Will assist you during your probationary/parole period
- Will support you in your efforts to take charge of your own life without re-offending

### **Assistance given by a Probation Officer:**

- Assistance with problems with accommodation, work, addictions, debts and family relationships
- Referral to advisory/counselling services for particular problems
- Assistance in the dealing with courts and official authorities
- Time for individual conversations

### **Duties of a Probation Officer :**

- A Probation Officer will inform the Court regularly and truthfully about your life situation including notification of any breaches of the probationary conditions and/or directions and further offences. If you have been sentenced to a Custodial Sentence under the Youth Justice System the Probation Officer is also entitled to cooperate with your parents, schools or apprenticeship provider and to obtain information from them.
- He is obliged to comply with professional confidentiality regulations. He will not reveal any information to landlords, employers or debtors without your expressed agreement.

### **Your Duties...**

- to ensure that the probationary/parole period is successfully completed:
- No further offences occur
  - Compliance with the Court's conditions and directions

➤ Attendance at the agreed meetings