

8. That it also appears to the undersigned that sureties on appearance bonds generally have not intentionally undertaken to remain liable on such bonds for months and years after deferred prosecutions have been approved by the court and after the cases have in effect been disposed of by the court.

9. That prior to the entry of this order the undersigned have consulted with both the District Attorney and the attorney for the Public Schools of Robeson County and neither has raised any objection to the entry of this order.

The undersigned jointly and severally **CONCLUDE AS A MATTER OF LAW:**

1. That by virtue of their respective offices the undersigned have the express and inherent authority to enter this order.

2. That the provisions of this order represent a minimal risk to the safety of the public and a minimal risk that defendants will commit new offenses or fail to appear.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the obligations of a bondsman or other surety pursuant to any Appearance Bond for Pretrial Release are and shall be terminated immediately upon the entry of the State and a defendant into a formal deferred prosecution concerning the underlying criminal charges referred to in the Appearance Bond for Pretrial Release.

2. That this order shall have both prospective and retroactive effect.

3. That this order shall remain in effect indefinitely unless modified, amended or vacated by future court order.

ENTERED in chambers and signed this 1st day of November 2007.

Robert F. Floyd, Jr.
Senior Resident Superior Court Judge

J. Stanley Carmical
Chief District Court Judge