

"Too many people claim indigence when there is not indigence in fact. Too many claim an inability to pay when they consider the payment of a fine to be in the lowest order of priority." *Pedersen v. Blessinger*, 56 Wis.2d 286, 295

At a Good Cause Hearing:

It is your job to provide the court with clear, convincing evidence as to why you have not paid or why you are not paying your fine. The court does not want to hear talk, but wants to see documentation, as requested on the form you've received.

It is the Judge's job to determine if there is clear and convincing evidence; Just Cause for you not paying your fine.

The Judge is going to ask you the following questions:

- Are you physically handicapped?
- Are you physically disabled?
- Are you mentally impaired?
- Do you have a severe illness?
- Do you have any Doctors orders not to work?
- Were you in an accident?
- Did you just lose your job?

If you've answered yes to any of these questions, be prepared to show proof.