

**KENTUCKY BAR ASSOCIATION  
KENTUCKY RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE**

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**RCr 4.04 Authorized methods of pretrial release**

- (1) The only authorized methods of pretrial release are on the following or any combination thereof as the court determines:
- (a) personal recognizance
  - (b) unsecured bail bond
  - (c) nonfinancial conditions
  - (d) executed bail bond
    - (i) with sufficient personal surety acceptable to the court; or
    - (ii) with a deposit with the court of a sum of money equal to at least ten percent of the bond; or
    - (iii) with a deposit with the court of cash equal to the amount of the bond; or
    - (iv) with stocks or bonds which are not exempt from execution and which over and above all liabilities and encumbrances have a value equal to the total amount of the bond; or
    - (v) with real property having a value over and above all liabilities and encumbrances, equal to twice the value of the bond; or
    - (vi) in cases of motor vehicle traffic violations, with a guaranteed arrest bond certificate as provided in KRS 431.020 <sup>1</sup>.
- (2) Nonfinancial conditions may be imposed upon any bail bond in the manner provided in RCr 4.14.
- (3) The court shall determine the method of pretrial release and the manner in which a bail bond is executed.

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<sup>1</sup> So in original; should this read “KRS 431.021”?