

Election of Court Hearing for Civil Citation and Entry of Written Plea

Citation Number: _____

Printed Name: _____

Citation Date: _____

I hereby elect a court hearing regarding the above-listed civil citation and enter my plea as follows:

___ I admit that I committed the violation but want an opportunity to speak with the judge about my sentence, and therefore plead guilty/no contest and request a sentencing hearing. (A sentencing hearing addresses only what the penalty for committing the violation should be, and whether you should receive a withhold of adjudication. The officer who issued your citation **will not** be present).

___ I deny that I committed the violation, and therefore plead not guilty and request an evidentiary hearing. (An evidentiary hearing addresses whether you committed the violation. The officer who issued the citation **will** be present).

I understand that the court may impose a civil penalty of up to \$500 if I am found to have committed a traffic violation other than unlawful speed in a school or construction zone. For unlawful speed in a school or construction zone, the court may impose a civil penalty of up to \$1,000. I further understand that the court may assess statutory court costs and, if I request an evidentiary hearing but decide at that hearing to enter a guilty/no contest plea, the court may assess additional court costs to cover expenses such as the cost of unnecessarily requiring the attendance of witnesses.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Note: You must make this election and file it with the Clerk of Court within 30 days after issuance of your citation. You may also make the election by calling or visiting the Clerk's Office. Contact information for the Clerk is below. The Clerk will notify you of your hearing date and time. If you receive this form in the mail along with a sentencing hearing notice, and you wish to request an evidentiary hearing instead, you must return this form to the Clerk's Office within 10 days from the date that the notice was signed. Otherwise, you will remain on the sentencing hearing docket.

Mailing Address

Courthouse Address

FAX: (352) 548-3798

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32602-0600

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