

**Acknowledgement of Rights and Consequences-
DELINQUENCY AND UNRULY CASES
TO CHILD AND PARENT OR GUARDIAN:**

Please read this form carefully. If you have any questions, the appropriate Court staff, including the Judge or Magistrate, will answer them for you. When you are satisfied that you understand these rights, please sign the form below.

I understand that I have the following rights:

- 1.) To be represented by an attorney in all proceedings, and to have a public defender represent me at public expense if my income does not exceed established guidelines;
- 2.) To obtain an attorney at any stage of the proceedings, and to have granted a reasonable continuance to secure an attorney; and, I understand that if I fail to secure counsel in a timely manner and thereby cause unnecessary delay of the proceedings, the Court may proceed without the attorney present;
- 3.) To have a trial, to remain silent, to offer evidence, to require attendance of witnesses on my behalf, and to cross-examine witnesses who testify against me.

If my case is scheduled to be heard by a MAGISTRATE, I understand that I have the right to file written objections to the Magistrate's decision within fourteen (14) days of the filing of the decision. If any party timely files objections, any other party may also file objections not later than 10 days after the first objections are filed. I further understand that the Magistrate may make certain Pretrial orders without judicial approval.

I may ADMIT or DENY the complaint against me.

If I ADMIT the allegations of the complaint, I understand that I give up the following rights:

- 1.) To have my case tried to a judge or magistrate,
- 2.) To remain silent,
- 3.) To offer evidence, and
- 4.) To cross-examine any witnesses who testify against me.

If I DENY the allegations of the complaint, I understand that another hearing will be scheduled at which time witnesses will testify and evidence will be presented to the Court.

If I ADMIT to the allegations in the complaint, or if having been denied, the allegations are proven beyond a reasonable doubt, this may result in an order of **detention, probation, commitment to a public or private institution, fine, restitution, modification of driving privileges**, or any other order the Court believes to be in my best interest.

I have received a copy of the complaint and I understand the allegations being made against me. I understand the purpose and possible outcomes of the hearings. I understand that if the statements in the complaint allege that I am at least 14 years of age and the offense would be a felony if committed by an adult, I may be bound over to the grand jury and prosecuted as an adult. I understand that in some cases, bindover to the adult system is mandatory.

I acknowledge that if I fail to appear for any scheduled Court hearing(s), I may be found in contempt of court and/or a warrant may be issued for my arrest, and if I am unable to appear for a Court hearing, I must file with the Court a **written request** for a continuance. I understand that as the Parent, Guardian, or Custodian of the above-named juvenile, at least one parent must bring the juvenile to the hearing and attend all court proceedings regarding the juvenile.

CHILD

PARENT OR GUARDIAN

DATE

CASE NO.

PARENT OR GUARDIAN