

COMMONWEALTH OF
PENNSYLVANIA

vs.

_____, Defendant

: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
: OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, PA
:
: CRIMINAL LAW DIVISION
: DOCKET NO: _____

ARRAIGNMENT PROCEEDINGS

- (1) I, _____, hereby acknowledge that I have received a "NOTICE TO APPEAR" for Arraignment and copies of the information stating the charges filed against me by the District Attorney.
- (2) I am aware that I have a right to have the charges against me, as contained in the Information read to me, word for word, in open court after which I will be asked to state whether I plead "guilty" or "not guilty."
- (3) I am aware I may bypass the arraignment procedure, by waiving it, which is, giving up my right to be formally arraigned. If I choose to do so, a plea of "not guilty" will be entered on my behalf.
- (4) I have been advised in accordance with the Rules of Court as to my rights as follows:
 - (a) I have a right to be represented by a lawyer of my choice or I may represent myself. If I cannot afford a lawyer to represent me, I may apply for a Public Defender.
 - (b) I have a right to file a "Request for a Bill of Particulars" within (7) days of my arraignment date.
 - (c) I have a right to file a "Motion for Pre-Trial Discovery and Inspection" within (14) days of my arraignment date.
 - (d) I have a right to file various other motions within thirty (30) days from my arraignment date in one document titled "Omnibus Pretrial Motion."
- (5) I further understand that if I do not file these motions in accordance with the Rules of Criminal Procedure as outlined above, I may jeopardize my right to file them at a later date.
- (6) I acknowledge that I have read and understand the foregoing and request the following action on my behalf.

_____ **I waive a formal arraignment and want the Court to enter a plea of "not guilty."**

_____ **I want to be formally arraigned by the Court.**

_____ **I want to enter a plea of "guilty" to the charges filed against me at this time.**

Date: _____ Defendant's Signature: _____

The foregoing document has been executed by the Defendant after conferring with me in my capacity as Defense Attorney on duty at Arraignment Court this date.

Date: _____ Defense Counsel: _____

COURT ORDER

_____ The waiver of arraignment and entry of a plea of "not guilty" is hereby accepted.

_____ At the request of the Defendant, a formal arraignment on all charges was held today.

Date: _____ BY THE COURT: _____, P.J.