

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA :
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 Defendant

WAIVER OF ARRAIGNMENT
Pursuant to Pa.R.Crim.P. 571

DOCKET: _____

1. I, _____, hereby acknowledge that I have received a "NOTICE TO APPEAR" for arraignment and copies of the Criminal complaint and will receive a copy of the Information stating the charges filed against me by the District Attorney. I acknowledge that I am represented by counsel.
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 further aware that by my own choice, I may bypass the arraignment procedures, by waiving it, that is, giving up my right to be formally arraigned. In the event I choose to do so, a plea of "not guilty" will automatically be entered on my behalf.
4. I have been advised by my attorney in accordance with the Rules of Criminal Procedure as to my rights as follows:
 - (a) To be represented by counsel.
 - (b) To be advised of the nature of the charges against me.
 - (c) To file motions, including a Request for a Bill of Particulars, a Motion for Pretrial Discovery and Inspection, a Motion to Request Transfer from Criminal Proceedings to Juvenile Court Proceedings, and an Omnibus Pretrial Motion and the time limits within which the Motions must be filed.
5. I further understand that if I do not file these Motions in accordance with the Rules of Criminal Procedure, I may jeopardize my right to file them at a later date.
6. I acknowledge that if I fail to appear without cause at any proceeding for which my presence is required, including trial, that my absence may be deemed a waiver of my right to be present, and that the proceeding may be conducted without me and a bench warrant may be issued for my arrest.
7. I hereby waive my right to appear for arraignment scheduled _____.

Date

Signature of Defendant

The foregoing document has been executed by the Defendant after conferring with me in my capacity as Defense Attorney. I hereby enter my appearance in the above matter.

Date

Attorney for the Defendant (Print Name)

Request future: _____ Guilty Plea date
_____ Pretrial date

Cc: District Attorney
Defense Counsel
Court Administrator's Office