

State of Alabama United Judicial System C-74 Rev/89	Plea of Guilty/Waiver of Trial and Rights (Plea Entered Before Municipal Court Judge)	Case Number
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The Municipal Court of Fultondale vs. _____
 DEFENDANT

Plea of Guilty/Waiver of Rights

YOU ARE HEREBY ADVISED OF YOUR RIGHTS AS A DEFENDANT IN THIS CRIMINAL CASE. YOU ARE CHARGED WITH AN OFFENSE WHICH IS A MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATION.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

I, the undersigned, do hereby enter my appearance on the complaint for the offense cited below. I understand that I have certain constitutional rights which I will waive if I plead guilty, namely, the right to a trial before this court, the right to an attorney if I have not already hired one to represent me, or the right to have one appointed by the court at no charge if I cannot afford one; the right at trial to subpoena witnesses on my behalf, to confront and cross-examine witnesses against me and to argue and make objections, and the right to testify in my own behalf. I also understand that I cannot be forced to testify against myself and that I am presumed innocent and that this presumption can be overcome only if the prosecution convinces the judge of my guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

I understand that except for DUI cases, the maximum fine in Municipal Court is \$500 and the maximum jail sentence is six months for each offense. I understand that if I am charged with DUI (DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE), the fine could be as high as \$10,100 and the jail sentence could be one year in jail. I understand that a DUI conviction may result in enhanced penalties for subsequent convictions but that the minimum fine for a first offense conviction is \$600, and that a driver license suspension of 90 days will be enforced by the Department of Public Safety upon a first conviction, a 1-year revocation for a second conviction within a 5-year period, and a 3-year revocation will be imposed for a third DUI conviction. I also understand that upon any DUI conviction, I will be required to attend a court-referred rehabilitation program. I understand that if I am not satisfied with the sentence in this case that I have the right to appeal to the circuit court for a trial de novo before a judge or jury by filing a notice of appeal within 14 days from the date of the sentence.

I understand my rights and the matters set out above and hereby voluntarily and knowingly waive such rights by pleading guilty, as evidenced by my signature below.

Notice to the Above Named Defendant

PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING

You are charged with the offense of _____. You may elect to plead guilty to the offense before the Judge and pay a fine of \$_____ plus court costs of \$_____, and restitution of \$_____ for a total of \$_____. A jail term of _____ days may be imposed.

The defendant's plea of guilty is hereby accepted.
 I am satisfied that the defendant has read and understands this document.

 DEFENDANT'S SIGNATURE DATE

 JUDGE

 DEFENDANT'S NAME (PRINT)