PLEA OF GUILTY/WAIVER OF RIGHTS
(Plea Entered Before Magistrate Scheduled Non-Traffic Offenses)

Case Number

IN THE _____ COURT OF _____, ALABAMA
(District or Municipal)   *(County or Municipality)*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA v. _____, Defendant

or
CITY/TOWN OF:_____

NOTICE TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT:

You are charged with the offense of _____.
In accordance with the Rules of Judicial Administration, you may elect to plead guilty to this offense before a magistrate and pay a fine of $_____plus court costs of $_____, for a total of $_____.

PLEA OF GUILTY – WAIVER OF RIGHTS
YOU ARE HEREBY ADVISED OF YOUR RIGHTS AS A DEFENDANT IN THIS CRIMINAL CASE.
Please Read Carefully

I, the undersigned, do hereby enter my appearance on the complaint for the offense cited above. 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 and to appeal <u>do novo</u> to the circuit court for trial before a judge or jury; the right to an attorney of my choice, or one appointed by the court at no charge if I cannot afford one; the right at trial to subpoena witnesses on my behalf, 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 or jury of my guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

I understand my constitutional rights set out above and the punishment that will be imposed if I elect to plead guilty before a magistrate. I also understand that my plea of guilty will have the same force and effect as a judgment of conviction by the court, which may result in enhanced penalties for subsequent convictions. I further understand that such conviction will be noted on the court's records, which are open to public inspection. I understand my rights and the matters set out above and hereby <u>voluntarily</u> and <u>knowingly</u> waive such rights by pleading guilty, as evidenced by my signature below.

_____
Defendant's Signature   Date

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Defendant's Name (Print or Type)