

Cause #: _____ Book-In Date: _____ Time: _____ S.O. #: _____

MAGISTRATE'S WARNING - CLASS C MISDEMEANORS ONLY

_____, you have been brought before this court on the charge of _____
County of Origin: _____

It is my duty to inform you of certain rights:

1. You have the right to **consult with and to hire** an attorney before and during any questioning by law enforcement authorities or this court regarding this matter. Because this charge is punishable by fine only, you do not have the right to court-appointed counsel.
2. You have the right to stop the questions at any time.
3. You have the right to remain silent and make no statements at all. Any statements you make may be used as evidence against you in court.

The law allows you to enter a plea at this time on a Class C misdemeanor. I will explain the options you have:

1. If no determination of guilt has been made, you may enter a plea of *guilty* or *no contest* and a fine will be assessed. If you do this and have been held in the jail, you will be given credit of \$ _____ per _____ (8 to 24) hours for time served in jail. *In the case of multiple offenses, fines will be served* *concurrently* *consecutively before judgement and* *concurrently* *consecutively after judgement.*
2. If you enter a plea of *not guilty*, a bond will be set. You will be released once you post this bond assuming there are no other charges against you, and you may appear later for trial.
3. If you decline to enter a plea, the court will enter a plea of not guilty for you as a matter of law. If a plea of not guilty is entered, you cannot be given credit for time served in jail, if any.
4. If a **GUILTY** plea is entered and accepted and later entered as a conviction on your record, it will be unlawful for you to possess or transfer a Firearm or Ammunition. On a plea of nolo-contendrea you may have this charge dismissed at a later time.

Do you understand the rights and procedures that I have explained to you? I am signing this form to indicate that I have explained your rights to you and that you have affirmatively.

Judge Presiding

Witness

Date: _____ Time: _____

Defendant's Plea:

_____ I plead guilty. _____ I plead no contest. _____ I plead not guilty.

Trial Matters:

_____ I demand a trial before the judge.
_____ I demand a trial by jury. _____ I request an indigence hearing.

Defendant's Signature

Defendant's Address

- _____ The court has accepted your plea of *not guilty*. Your bond is set at \$ _____. You will be notified by mail of your trial date.
- _____ The court has accepted your plea of *guilty* or *no contest*. Your fine is set at \$ _____.
- _____ The court accepts your plea and authorized the following amount of credit at magistration \$ _____.
- _____ No plea was taken for this charge. A bond has been set at \$ _____.

Judge Presiding

Date

Notes: _____

Notice to JP Pct. _____, _____ County of credit for time served on above charge.

Total amount of Fine: \$ _____ **Amount of credit for Time Served:** \$ _____
Balance of Fine Paid: \$ _____
Hunt County Jail Officer: _____ **Date:** _____