

**JUVENILE COURT, DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO  
DELINQUENT MISDEMEANOR  
RIGHTS SHEET**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**CASE NO.**

**ALLEGED DELINQUENT CHILD**

<p style="text-align:center"><b>The following information explains your arraignment hearing and your rights in Juvenile Court for a complaint of an alleged misdemeanor offense.</b></p>
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1. You may be represented by an attorney and can be granted a continuance for an opportunity to consult an attorney before you proceed.
2. An attorney will be appointed for you if you so request and if you and your parents are indigent, or without funds or property to hire an attorney. If an attorney is appointed and your parents are not indigent the attorney fees may be taxed as court costs.
3. A record or recording will be made of the proceeding, if you so request at any time.
4. You have the right to have seven (7) days notice (from the date of mailing) by mail service, prior to the hearing. Personal service may require an earlier appearance.
5. You may admit the charge or deny the charge and have a trial to the court.

**IF YOU ADMIT THE CHARGE THEN YOU ARE STATING THAT YOU COMMITTED THE  
LAW VIOLATION CHARGED AGAINST YOU IN THE COMPLAINT.**

**IF YOU DENY THE CHARGE;**

6. The charge must be proven beyond a reasonable doubt on a denial.
7. You may cross-examine and ask questions of any witness that testifies to prove the charge.
8. You cannot be compelled to testify against yourself and you may remain silent on a denial at trial.
9. You may call persons to testify on your behalf. Any witness you wish to testify can be compelled to appear for you by the Court, if they can be located by the sheriff prior to trial and served with a subpoena.
10. You may testify yourself if you wish.

**ALL DISPOSITIONAL TERMS ARE SET BY THE COURT.** You may be adjudicated and ordered to complete terms within a definite period of time or you may be placed on probation and ordered to comply with terms during an indefinite period of time.

**Disposition can be any of the following, but not limited to:**

- A fine of up to \$250 (see maximum fine list, next page)
- Up to 90 days in a detention facility
- Court costs for each offense and payment of other fees (including but not limited to: detention, electronic monitoring, drug testing)
- Restitution
- Loss of driving privileges
- Community Service Work (see list on reverse)
- House Arrest, with or without electronic monitoring.
- Individual and/or family counseling
- Change of custody/placement outside the home.

