



Hardin County Justice of the Peace

Precinct 5

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W. W. "Butch" Cummings
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Date: _____

Cause No: _____

Defendant's Name: _____

Plea on Charge of: _____

I have been charged with _____.

You may enter a plea of no contest, guilty, or not guilty.

NO CONTEST

A plea of no contest states you are not contesting the charges filed. If you plead no contest, a finding of guilt will be entered by the Court and your fine will be \$_____.

GUILTY

A guilty plea states you are guilty of the charge as filed. The fine and cost on a plea of guilty are the same as plea of no contest. A guilty plea may adversely affect you in the event a civil action is brought against you.

NOT GUILTY

A not guilty plea states you are not guilty of the charge as filed. If you plead not guilty, a trial date will be set. You are required to appear for trial. Failing to appear may result in you being charged with Failure to Appear (Section 38.11 Penal Code) and a warrant being issued for your arrest. It is not required that you be represented by an attorney; however you may elect to do so. Should you be found not guilty, you would be released at that time from the charge against you. Should you be found guilty, your fine would be in the amount not to exceed \$500.00.

Notice of your court date will be mailed to the address you have listed below.

CHECK ONE

_____ To the charge of _____, I plead _____.

_____ I do not wish to enter a plea at this time. I understand that a plea of not guilty will be entered for me and I must appear for trial at this court.

Defendant's Signature

Date

Home Address

City State Zip

Phone