

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

vs

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Defendant

AUTHORITY AND WAIVER FOR PLEA DISCUSSION CONFERENCE  
PURSUANT TO SUPREME COURT RULE 402(d)

I, **THE UNDERSIGNED DEFENDANT** in the above case, request through my attorney with the agreement of the prosecutor, that the trial judge participate in plea discussions concerning my case.

**I have been advised and understand that:**

- 1) My attorney has requested that the trial judge participate in a conference to determine whether or not the charges which are pending against me can be resolved by a plea of guilty.
- 2) During the course of the conference the prosecutor will be present and advise the judge of facts as contained in police reports or conversations with witnesses, and my attorney will also be present and advise the judge of any information concerning the circumstances which led to my arrest.
- 3) Without the conference, the judge would not learn about this information unless the case proceeded to trial.
- 4) The judge will also learn information concerning my prior criminal history, past driving record, any alcohol or drug problems, work history, family situation, or other things which would bear on what, if any, punishment should be imposed on me if I plead guilty to one or more of these charges.
- 5) If the conference were not held, the judge would not learn of this information unless my case proceeded to trial, or unless I was found guilty.
- 6) At the end of the conference, the judge may make a recommendation as to what an appropriate sentence would be.
- 7) Both the prosecutor and I are free to accept or reject the judge's recommendations and have a trial. However, if the judge's recommendations are rejected by either the prosecution or myself, and I wish to have a trial, I may not obtain another judge solely on the basis that the judge participated in the conference and is now aware of the facts and circumstances surrounding the incident as well as my background. I waive my right to request a different judge based upon the judge's knowledge of my case.

I have read the above, understand it, agree with it, and wish my attorney and the prosecutor to participate in the plea discussion conference.

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Date

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Defendant

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Print Name