

PLEA IN ABSENTIA FORM

To assist you while you are on the road, this Plea in Absentia is made available to you. Please follow these instructions:

1. Print it out this form.
2. Fill in the yellow high-lighted areas (blank lines) only (those areas may not print out in yellow, but that does not matter). These areas are your name in the Caption area, your city and state where you live, your printed name. I will fill in the other areas as they apply in your case.
3. Sign your name where indicated and have it notarized (if it's not notarized, the judge may not accept it).
4. Return it to me with a money order (made payable to the "Clerk of Court") for the amount of the fine to the following address:

David J. Casey
540 Powder Springs Street
Suite B-9
Marietta, Georgia 30064

5. This MUST be received prior to me leaving for Court. If it is not received before I leave for Court, I will not be able to present it to the judge.

IN THE _____ **COURT OF** _____
STATE OF GEORGIA

STATE OF GEORGIA,

CASE NO

v.

[REDACTED],

Defendant.

PLEA IN ABSENTIA

I, the above-named Defendant, hereby certify that I am now residing in [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (City), [REDACTED] (State), and that it would be expensive and
burdensome for me to travel to Marietta, Georgia, to dispose of this case. It is my
understanding that my case is scheduled for disposition on the _____ day of
_____, 200____, and that I have been charged with the following:
_____.

It is my understanding, through my attorney, David J. Casey, that the Solicitor will
recommend a fine of \$_____ .00 and will plead to _____, with the
sentence being suspended upon payment of the fine. I understand that the
recommendation is not binding upon the trial judge. I understand that upon conviction
the court can impose a sentence of up to 12 months imprisonment and a fine of
\$1,000.00, or both, for each charge against me.

I hereby authorize my attorney to enter a plea of Guilty/Nolo Contendere on my
behalf and in my absence to all charges related to the above-styled matter and sign any
and all necessary document regarding same. I hereby request and consent that my
case be disposed of in my absence, and I hereby waive my presence at such trial.

My attorney has fully explained to me the following rights which I understand and which I waive:

1. The right to trial with or without a jury.
2. The right to confront and cross-examine any witness and evidence in my behalf.
3. The right to present witnesses and evidence in my behalf.
4. The right to examine all physical and documentary evidence against me.
5. The right to remain silent.
6. The right to have free counsel appointed to represent me if I am indigent.
7. The right to appeal to a higher Court except in certain circumstances.
8. The right to require the State to prove its case against me beyond a reasonable doubt.

This the _____ day of _____, 200____.

Defendant:

[REDACTED]
(Printed Name)

[REDACTED]
(Signature)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the
_____ day of _____, 200____.

Notary Public
Commission Expires

Approved, Defendant's Attorney:

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