

STATE OF LOUISIANA

SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

VS. NO. _____

PARISH OF _____

STATE OF LOUISIANA

WAIVER OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AND PLEA OF GUILTY

I, _____, defendant in the above case, informed the Judge that I wanted to plead guilty to the charge(s) of:

She asked me if I could read and write the English language. I informed her that I could, and she presented me this statement for my reading and consideration.

I understand the nature of the charge and that it is a felony offense which could result in a penitentiary sentence if I am guilty thereof. I am aware of the possibility of enhanced penalties if I am charged with subsequent offenses.

I understand that in pleading guilty to such charge, I stand convicted thereof, and waive the following Constitutional rights:

1. To be tried by a jury.
2. To confront and cross-examine the witnesses who accuse me of the crime charged.
3. To compulsory process of the court to require witnesses to appear and testify for me.
4. The privilege against self-incrimination or having to take the stand myself and testify.
5. To appeal from a verdict of guilty.
6. To be represented at all times in the proceeding, including appeal, by counsel of my choice or by court-appointed attorney at no cost to me if I lack finances to employ one.

I acknowledge that I am guilty of the offense charged and do knowingly and voluntarily waive such rights and enter a plea of guilty thereto. I have not been induced to plead guilty or sign this statement by any threat, pressure or force, my actions being entirely free and voluntary. I am satisfied with the way my attorney and the court have handled my case.

I understand that I have 2 years from the date of final sentence to file for post-conviction relief.

I also understand that this guilty plea is entered based on a plea bargain agreement with the District Attorney's Office and the non-completion of any part of the terms of this agreement will void the plea and I may be brought back to court to stand trial on these charges.

The Judge has addressed me personally as to all of these matters and I understand all of the legal consequences of pleading guilty and wish to plead guilty at this time.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Defense Attorney

Defendant

This plea of guilty is accepted by the court after having determined that it is knowingly, intelligently, freely and voluntarily made by the defendant.

Date

Judge