

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF GORDON COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE INTEREST OF:

\_\_\_\_\_ SEX: M / F      DOB: \_\_\_\_\_      CASE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

Juvenile Under 17 Years of Age

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RIGHTS AT PRE-ADJUDICATION HEARING**

The above-named juvenile, along with the undersigned parent, guardian and/or attorney, states as follows:

I understand that I have been charged with \_\_\_\_\_ and that I am there today for a pre-adjudication/detention hearing or motion hearing. I further understand that I have the following rights:

1. I have been provided with a copy of the Complaint and I am aware of the contents of the Complaint. Further, I have had an opportunity to discuss the Complaint with my attorney prior to the hearing.
2. I have been advised of the nature of this hearing.
3. I have been made aware of the right to make an application for bail.
4. I have been made aware of the possible consequences or dispositions that may apply to my case following an adjudication hearing if I am adjudicated to be delinquent. I have been told of the possible dispositions (sentences) which the court can order if I admit to the charges or if I am found to have committed a delinquent or C.H.I.N.S. act, and those dispositions include: Probation, serving up to thirty (30) days in a juvenile detention facility, dismissal, informal adjustment, commitment to the Department of Juvenile Justice, suspension of driver's license privileges, requiring school attendance, placement in an institution, community service, restitution, payment of probation fees or fines, counseling or placement in the temporary custody of the Division of Family and Children Services. IF I AM ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT FOR A CHARGE CALLED "DESIGNATED FELONY," THEN I UNDERSTAND THE JUDGE MAY PLACE ME IN RESTRICTIVE CUSTODY (RYDC) FOR A PERIOD OF 1-18 MONTHS OR 1-60 MONTHS, DEPENDING ON THE NATURE OF THE CHARGE, WITH NO EARLY RELEASE.
5. I have been advised that I have due process rights, including the right to an attorney and to an appointed attorney; the privilege against self-incrimination; that I may remain silent and that anything I say may be used against me; the right to confront anyone who testifies against me and to cross-examine any persons who appear to testify against me; the right to testify and to compel other witnesses to attend and testify on my behalf; the right to a speedy adjudication hearing and the right to appeal a decision I disagree with and to be provided with a transcript for such purpose.
6. I have been advised that the Court has appointed an attorney to represent me, but that I may still hire an attorney should I wish to hire one.
7. I have been advised that I am presumed innocent, and I cannot be compelled to testify or to present evidence.
8. I have been advised that the burden of proof the State must prove at an adjudication hearing is beyond a reasonable doubt for delinquent offenses and by clear and convincing evidence for C.H.I.N.S. offenses.
9. I understand that if I am not a citizen of the U.S., my admission may result in deportation, the exclusion of admission to this country, denial of naturalization, or other adverse consequences under federal law. I also understand that this admission may negatively impact my ability to obtain or maintain my driver's license or impact my future employment or impose other collateral adverse consequences upon me.
10. I have talked to my parents/custodian and my lawyer about this case and have had all of the above explained to me and I have had the opportunity to ask questions and have my questions answered.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the information written above.

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Juvenile

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Parent/Custodian

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Juvenile's attorney