

In the  
**CIRCUIT COURT**  
of St. Louis County, Missouri



For File Stamp Only

STATE OF MISSOURI \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

vs.

\_\_\_\_\_ Case Number

\_\_\_\_\_ Defendant

\_\_\_\_\_ Division

**APPEARANCE WAIVER – PLEA OF GUILTY**  
**AND**  
**REQUEST THAT CASE PROCEED IN ABSENCE OF DEFENDANT**

I understand the nature of the \_\_\_\_\_ offense with which I am charged; that I have the right to be advised by a lawyer, right to trial by judge or jury, the right against self-incrimination, the right to cross-examine prosecution witnesses, right to compel witnesses to appear, and the right to trial de novo or review should I be found guilty of the above offense. I hereby enter my plea of guilty to the above offense, thus waiving my right to trial, representation by an attorney, and all other listed rights, consent that my bond deposit be used to pay the fine and cost of the above and request that the court and prosecutor waive the necessity of my appearance in court. Further, I understand that I may submit a written request for a court date within 7 days of signing this plea to request the court to withdraw my plea of guilty and proceed to trial. I also understand that the Department of Revenue, State License Bureau, will be notified of all convictions involving driving violations, which will result in applicable points being assessed against my driver's license.

\_\_\_\_\_  
WITNESS – TITLE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DEFENDANT

\_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS

**SO ORDERED:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY – STATE – ZIP CODE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE NUMBER

## **WITNESS / VICTIM TAMPERING**

1. A person commits the crime of tampering with a witness if, with purpose to induce a witness or a prospective witness in an official proceeding to disobey a subpoena or other legal process or to absent himself or avoid subpoena or other legal process, or to withhold evidence, information or documents, or to testify falsely, he:
  - (1) Threatens or causes harm to any person or property; or
  - (2) Uses force, threats or deception; or
  - (3) Offers, confers or agrees to confer any benefit, direct or indirect, upon such witness; or
  - (4) Conveys any of the foregoing to another in furtherance of a conspiracy.
  
2. A person commits the crime of victim tampering if, with purpose to do so, he prevents or dissuades or attempts to prevent or dissuade any person who has been a victim of any crime or a person who is acting on behalf of any such victim from:
  - (1) Making any report of such victimization to any peace officer, or state, local or federal law enforcement officer or prosecuting agency or to any judge;
  - (2) Causing a complaint, indictment or information to be sought and prosecuted or assisting in the prosecution thereof;
  - (3) Arresting or causing or seeking the arrest of any person in connection with such victimization.
  
3. Tampering with a witness or victim is a class C felony if the original charge is a felony. Otherwise, tampering with a witness or victim is a class A misdemeanor. Persons convicted under this section shall not be eligible for parole.