

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF _____)

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS
FOR THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

Indictment No.: _____

Warrant No.: _____

v.)

DEFENDANT)

**WAIVER OF RIGHT TO IN-PERSON
COURT APPEARANCE AND
CONSENT TO VIDEO/AUDIOCONFERENCING**

I, the Defendant, have been advised that I have the legal right to personally appear in the Court of General Sessions in _____ County, and I understand this right. I give up and waive this right to personally appear in court and consent to appear in court by use of video/audioconferencing.

I acknowledge that I want to handle the following matter by video/audioconferencing by initialing the type of hearing below:

1. _____ Bond Hearing
2. _____ Contested Motion
3. _____ Guilty Plea and Sentencing
4. _____ Bench Warrant Hearing
5. _____ Probation Violation Hearing
6. _____ Competency Hearing
7. _____ Other: _____

I also acknowledge that the outcome or consequence of this matter would be no different if I appeared in person. For example, I acknowledge that I may be required to remain in custody, be released from custody subject to certain conditions, or be sent to the Department of Corrections to serve an active prison sentence.

By my signature below, I consent to the use of video/audioconferencing in this criminal proceeding. The court will maintain the audio or video recording of this proceeding for a period of not less than five (5) years from today's date in all proceedings, unless the proceedings were otherwise transcribed or recorded. I have been fully informed of my right to be personally present before the court and, with that knowledge, I freely, knowingly and voluntarily waive that right. I further acknowledge that I have been given an adequate opportunity to confer privately with my attorney on this decision.

Defendant:

Attorney for Defendant/Witness:

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

_____, 20_____
_____, South Carolina