

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Plaintiff,

**PROSECUTOR'S NOTICE  
TO UNREPRESENTED DEFENDANT**

vs

\_\_\_\_\_ **DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant

CASE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

You have arrived at the District Attorney's Office for a pre-trial conference without an attorney representing you. You have been charged with a criminal offense which has the potential penalties of a possible jail sentence, a fine, other possible consequences.

The prosecutors working at the District Attorney's Office do not represent you. In fact, the prosecutor is the person who is accusing you of committing one or more criminal offenses. The prosecutor is the person who would be presenting evidence in court to prove that you committed one or more criminal offenses. If you are found guilty, the prosecutor will be recommending a punishment for the judge to impose on you.

You have a constitutional right to have an attorney represent you and assist you in the matter. If you would like to obtain an attorney, you can contact the office of the State Public Defender at (715) 392-7866, or go to their office at 1316 N. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Ste 401, to see if you qualify for their representation. If the State Public Defender determines that you are not eligible for representation, you can go to the Clerk of Court's Office in Room 309 of this courthouse, to request forms to apply for an attorney appointed by the court. You can also hire an attorney to represent you; many attorneys are listed in telephone books.

If you wish to talk to a prosecutor without an attorney representing you, the prosecutor will tell you what consequences the prosecutor will recommend that the judge impose on you if you plead guilty or no contest. The prosecutor cannot give you legal advise as to whether to obtain an attorney, whether to accept or reject a settlement offer, whether to waive important procedural rights, or how the judge is likely to rule in your case. We cannot assist you with any forms waiving any of your rights.

Please check one of the following boxes. Your choice is not permanent. You can change your mind at a later date if you wish.

**I CHOOSE TO SEEK TO OBTAIN AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT ME.** If you check this box, the prosecutor will not speak to you about the case at this time but will give you the opportunity to obtain an attorney.

**I CHOOSE TO SEEK TO SPEAK TO THE PROSECUTOR.** If you check this box, the prosecutor will provide information regarding settlement and attempt to negotiate a resolution of this case to be presented to the judge.

**NO MATTER WHICH CHOICE YOU MAKE, YOU STILL NEED TO APPEAR AT THE STATUS CONFERENCE SCHEDULED BEFORE THE JUDGE.** Please sign and date this form.

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Signature of Defendant

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Date