

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR RUTHERFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE
AT MURFREESBORO**

STATE OF TENNESSEE

v.

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Defendant

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Case No. _____

MOTION TO WAIVE APPEARANCE AT ARRAIGNMENT

I am _____, the defendant in this case, and my attorney is _____. I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following:

- 1) The indictment in this case;
- 2) Information that I may appear in open court for Arraignment;
- 3) Information that I may waive my formal Arraignment;
- 4) My Discussion day is _____;
- 5) My Plea day is _____.

Pursuant to Rule 43(a) of the Tennessee Rules of Criminal Procedure, I respectfully request this Court waive my personal appearance, and that of my attorney, at Arraignment. I request the Court enter a plea of not guilty on my behalf. I certify that I will appear timely on the scheduled Discussion and Plea days.

Defendant

As counsel for the defendant, I certify I am retained or appointed to represent the defendant through the trial of this cause, and I have not signed my client's signature to this motion.

Attorney for Defendant

NON-MINUTE ORDER

The motion on this cause is hereby approved by the Court. A plea of not guilty is entered for the defendant. The defendant's Discussion and Plea days are set as stated above.

This the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Judge