

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF _____ COUNTY, ALABAMA

In The Matter Of _____

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT:

1. Both the child and the parent, guardian, or custodian have the right to be represented by legal counsel.
2. If you, as a child, are unable to pay a lawyer and if your parents or guardian have not provided a lawyer, one may be appointed for you by the court.
3. If you, as a parent or guardian, wish to be represented by an attorney and think you cannot afford to provide yourself with an attorney, you may complete a sworn Affidavit of Substantial Hardship which will be reviewed by the court and, if you are determined to be indigent or partially indigent, an attorney may be appointed to represent you.
4. If an attorney is appointed to represent you, as a parent or guardian, and, after a hearing, it is determined at this time or at some point in the future you would be able to pay for the services of an attorney, you will be ordered to reimburse the State of Alabama for any attorney's fees paid in your behalf.
5. If your child is adjudicated to have committed an act of delinquency, you, as the child's parent or guardian, may be ordered to pay restitution for damage resulting from your acts, a fine of up to \$250.00, a mandatory contribution to the Alabama Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, attorney's fees, if an attorney is appointed to represent you or your child, and court costs in each case.
6. You, as a parent or guardian, may be ordered to perform any reasonable act determined by the court to be in the best interest of your child.
7. If an out-of-home placement or commitment of your child is made, you, as a parent or guardian, may be ordered to pay child support for the child in an amount determined based upon your income in accordance with Rule 32, Alabama Rules of Judicial Administration. Any and all entitlements or benefits paid for the benefit of the child will be ordered redirected to the child's physical/legal paren or guardian.
8. You, as a child, are not required to say anything, and anything you say may be used against you.
9. You, as a child, have the right to communicate with counsel, parents or guardians. Reasonable means will be provided for you to do so.
10. IF YOU, AS A CHILD, ARE PLACED IN DETENTION:
 - a. You will be fully informed of the reasons for your detention.
 - b. You will have a detention hearing within 72 hours.
 - c. Your parents or guardian will be notified of your detention.

Date

Time

Read and Explained By (Signature)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE HAVING BEEN READ MY RIGHTS BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PERSON, AND WE FULLY AND CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THEM AS ALL HAVE BEEN FULLY AND CLEARLY EXPLAINED TO US.

Date

Signature of Child

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

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I DO NOT WANT A LAWYER TO REPRESENT ME AT THIS TIME. I UNDERSTAND THAT ANYTIME PRIOR TO A FINAL HEARING IN THIS MATTER I MAY CHANGE MY MIND AND REQUEST ONE BE APPOINTED TO REPRESENT ME. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT ANY STATEMENTS I MAKE MAY BE USED BY THE COURT TO DETERMINE DISPOSITION OF THIS MATTER.

Date

Signature of Juvenile

I DO NOT WANT A LAWYER TO REPRESENT ME AT THIS TIME. I UNDERSTAND THAT ANYTIME PRIOR TO A FINAL HEARING IN THIS MATTER I MAY CHANGE MY MIND AND REQUEST ONE BE APPOINTED TO REPRESENT ME. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT ANY STATEMENTS I MAKE MAY BE USED BY THE COURT TO DETERMINE DISPOSITION OF THIS MATTER.

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian/Attorney