

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF BEDFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, :

v. :

No.: CR-_____FOR_____

DEFENDANT

GUILTY PLEA COLLOQUY (MISDEMEANOR)
I. INSTRUCTIONS

Please read the following information carefully. *If you agree with the statement, place an "X" in the box next to the statement. If you disagree or do not understand the statement, DO NOT place anything in the box.*

If there is anything on this form that you do not understand, you should tell your attorney or the judge who hears your case.

II. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Defendant's name: _____
2. Address: _____
3. Age: _____ years
4. Highest completed level of education: _____
5. ☐ I can read, write and understand the English language.
6. ☐ I have never seen a doctor or been in a hospital for any mental problems.
7. ☐ I am not under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
8. ☐ I have not taken any prescription medication in the last week.

III. CHARGE(S)/PLEA AGREEMENT

9. ☐ Other than what is contained in the plea agreement, I have not been promised anything to plead guilty.
10. ☐ I understand that if the judge does not go along with the plea agreement, I can withdraw my guilty plea and proceed to trial.
11. ☐ I understand that, after sentencing, I can withdraw my guilty plea only if there is a manifest injustice in my case.
12. ☐ I understand the elements of the crime(s) to which I am pleading guilty.
13. ☐ I understand that I can go to jail for up to _____ years and be fined up to \$_____ for the crime(s) to which I am pleading guilty.

IV. RIGHTS

- 14. ☐ I understand that I have an absolute right to a jury trial and that I do not have to plead guilty to anything.
- 15. ☐ I understand that I would assist in picking the members of the jury.
- 16. ☐ I understand that I am presumed innocent and that it is the Commonwealth's burden to prove me guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.
- 17. ☐ I understand that at trial I would not have to prove anything.
- 18. ☐ I understand that I have the right to remain silent, that I would not have to testify at trial and that no one could infer any guilt from my choice not to testify.
- 19. ☐ I understand that I could present evidence at trial and challenge the Commonwealth's evidence.
- 20. ☐ I understand that I could ask for a trial before a judge rather than a jury.
- 21. ☐ I understand that by pleading guilty I am:
 - a. ☐ Giving up my rights to file motions to dismiss charges or suppress evidence.
 - b. ☐ Giving up my absolute right to a trial and most of my appellate rights.

V. FINAL DECISION

- 22. ☐ I am satisfied with the advice and service of my attorney.
- 23. ☐ I understand that once I plead guilty I cannot claim that I am innocent.
- 24. ☐ It is my decision alone to plead guilty.

I HAVE READ ALL OF THE ABOVE, OR MY LAWYER HAS READ IT TO ME. I UNDERSTAND IT AND DO NOT HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. MY ANSWERS ARE ALL TRUE AND CORRECT.

Sign name

Print name

XV. CERTIFICATION OF DEFENSE COUNSEL

I, _____, counsel for the above-named Defendant, hereby certify that I have explained all of the above information to Defendant, that I answered any questions Defendant had, that Defendant fully understands what is being done today and that Defendant is knowingly, intelligently and voluntarily pleading guilty.

Signed: _____

FOR JUDGE'S USE ONLY, DO NOT COMPLETE.

XVI JUDGE'S CERTIFICATON

Upon consideration of the above written colloquy, an oral colloquy, defense counsel's certification and my observations of the Defendant, I find that the guilty plea has been entered intelligently, knowingly and voluntarily.

J.

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PSI

- ☐ **Waived**
- ☐ **Full**
- ☐ **Limited**

PRS _____

☐ **CIP applicant**

SORNA

- ☐ **Tier I**
- ☐ **Tier II**
- ☐ **Tier III**
- ☐ **SVP Assessment**

Other _____

