

COURT OPTION FORM

Putnam County Clerk of Court

Case Number: _____

PO Box 758

Citation Number: _____

Palatka, FL 32178

Name: _____

(386) 326-7690

CUSTOMERS-ONLY FILL OUT BELOW THIS LINE

I am the defendant or representative for the defendant in this case. I affirm and understand the options available regarding a traffic ticket. It is my choice to select one of the below options in order to comply with my citation. By selecting this option I understand that I am no longer eligible to elect driving school.

You must select one of the following options:

COURT APPEARANCE/DENIAL HEARING: By selecting this option you are pleading "Not Guilty" to the charge and requesting a Court date to contest your ticket. You will be given a Court date. You must appear in Court on the day specified; the law enforcement agent who issued the citation will be present. Both of you will be given the opportunity to testify and produce evidence. If you are found guilty, the Court may impose a fine against you up to \$500, points, and court costs except in cases of unlawful speed in a school zone, unlawful speed in a construction zone, or accident involving death, the civil penalty may not exceed \$1,000, points, and court costs or require the defendant to complete a driver improvement course or both. **IF THIS CITATION IS FOR A CRASH/ACCIDENT RESULTING IN ANY INJURY, PLEASE CHECK HERE.**

PLEA OF NO CONTEST AND REQUEST FOR WITHHOLD OF POINTS: By selecting this option you are pleading "No Contest" to the charge and waiving your right to a hearing. You will not have to come to Court if you select this option. The Clerk's office will forward your request to the County Judge along with your ticket and driving record. The Judge will review your case and make a ruling. If your request is granted, no points will be assessed. However, the Court may impose court costs up to \$500 except in cases of unlawful speed in a school zone, unlawful speed in a construction zone, or accident involving death, the civil penalty may not exceed \$1,000 or require the defendant to complete a driver improvement course or both. You will be notified by mail of the Judge's decision.

DEFENDANT'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

DAYTIME PHONE: _____

I am the defendant in this case and I affirm that I have read the foregoing, that I understand my options, and that I will comply with the option I have selected.

Signature

Date

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on this day, _____

DEPUTY CLERK/NOTARY PUBLIC