

Second Judicial Circuit First Appearance Affidavit

The State of South Carolina Vs _____

Warrant number(s): _____

Please read carefully and initial each term that applies:

1. _____ I have:

_____ as my attorney, **OR**
 plan to retain _____ as my attorney.

2. _____ I understand my attorney and/or bondsman (or surety), will be the ONLY person notified by the Clerk's Office when my presence is required for Court.

3. _____ I must keep my attorney and/or bondsman (or surety) advised of my location at all times and furthermore, my bond requirements are not affected (special conditions or bonding company requirements) by this document.

4. _____ I understand and agree that if I cannot be located by my attorney when I am required to be present for trial, plea or otherwise, my case will be tried in my absence or a Bench Warrant will be requested for my failure to appear.

5. _____ I understand this agreement only covers the charges I am appearing on today, and does not affect charges I already have or any additional charges that happen after this appearance.

- **I understand that I must appear at the Aiken County Courthouse (date) _____ for (circle one) SECOND APPEARANCE, PTI APPOINTMENT, or at such time that I am notified.**
- **I have read the above information and I understand and agree that the information is correct.**
- **It is my responsibility to provide contact information to my Attorney and to keep it up to date.**

Defendant signature

Attorney for Defendant

Please check box if Defendant is in jail. Signature not required.

Done this _____ day of _____, 20____

Notice: Effective immediately for all Criminal Cases filed in Aiken County General Sessions Court.

Per Judge's recommendation, **all attorneys need to file a Letter of Representation** with the Clerk of Court Office to advise us that you are representing a defendant on a case.

Attorneys may also file a First Appearance Affidavit. This report can be found on the reverse side of this notice. If an attorney chooses to file this report he/she will be excused from the appearance date as well as the defendant. However, this report needs to be completed no earlier than (10) ten days prior to the appearance date. The Clerk's Office must receive this report no later than **5:00 pm** on the Wednesday before the appearance date.

If additional information is required, please contact Angel Miles or Paige Barnes via email at amiles@aikencountysc.gov or pbarnes@aikencountysc.gov