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NOTICE OF JURY TRIAL PRAYER

Thank you for your appearance in court today. As a victim/witness in a case that will now be transferred to the Circuit Court for Cecil County, you will be re-summonsed/subpoenaed to appear for the defendant's jury trial. Maryland law guarantees any person charged with a crime that carries a maximum penalty of more than ninety (90) days to an automatic right to trial by jury. Neither the State nor the Court can prevent a defendant from exercising this right. While we recognize the inconvenience that repeated court appearances may cause, your presence will continue to be necessary in order to prosecute this case.

The Circuit Court for Cecil County is located at 129 East Main Street, Elkton, Maryland. The hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Office of the State's Attorney is located on the third floor of the east side of the building (stairwell/elevator immediately past the security checkpoint). There is free parking behind the building. Jury trial prayers are normally held every Monday in Circuit Court.

Defendant is represented by counsel. The trial date is scheduled for _____. You will receive a subpoena with this date.

Defendant is not represented. This case will be scheduled for arraignment on _____. You do NOT need to appear for this hearing. You will receive a subpoena with a trial date.

Please call our office the week before the trial date to determine if your presence will be needed.

Please check in with our office on the third floor on the morning of the trial date. This is to ensure that we know which witnesses are present. If you go to the courtroom without checking in with our office, we may not know you are present and that could potentially affect the outcome of the case.

Liquids are not permitted in the building. Our office can provide water, coffee, or tea. There are vending machines located on the second floor.

If you have any questions regarding your case, please call the office at the number on this letterhead and ask to speak with Kelly Bertrand or Valda Rotolo. If you need to speak with the prosecutor assigned to the case, they will direct your call accordingly.