

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR RUTHERFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE**  
**AT MURFREESBORO**

**STATE OF TENNESSEE,**

**VS.**

**CASE NO.**

\_\_\_\_\_,  
**DEFENDANT**

**MOTION TO WAIVE APPEARANCE AT ARRAIGNMENT**

I am \_\_\_\_\_, the Defendant in this case, and my attorney is \_\_\_\_\_. I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following:

- 1) The indictment in this case;
- 2) Information that I may appear in open Court for Arraignment;
- 3) Information that I may waive my formal Arraignment;
- 4) That my Discussion Day is \_\_\_\_\_;
- 5) That my Plea Day is \_\_\_\_\_.

My motion is to be allowed to waive my personal appearance and that of my attorney at arraignment, and to request the Court to enter a Plea of Not Guilty. I certify that I will appear timely on Discussion Day and Plea Day.

I respectfully submit this motion pursuant to Rule 43(a) of the Tennessee Rules of Criminal Procedure.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant

As attorney for the Defendant, I certify that I am retained/appointed to represent the Defendant through the trial of this cause and that I have not signed my client's signature to this motion.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for Defendant

**NON-MINUTE ORDER**

The Motion in this cause is hereby approved by the Court. A plea of Not Guilty is entered for the Defendant, and his/her Discussion Day and Plea Day is as stated above.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_.

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Judge