District Court

Rights and Waiver

State of Rhode Island v. **Defendant**	**Bail Commissioner**

Arraignment Date	Offense(s) Charged

I, the above-named Defendant, hereby certify that the bail commissioner of the District Court has advised me that I am charged with a crime and of my rights as follows:

1. That I have the right to remain silent. If I make a statement, the statement may be used as evidence against me.

2. That I have reasonable time to consult with an attorney and be admitted to bail.

3. That I have a right to be represented by an attorney of my own choice at my own expense. If I cannot afford an attorney, the court will refer me to the public defender or appoint an attorney at no cost to me.

4. That I have a right to a trial by jury in the first instance. I may waive that right and have a trial in the District Court. If I am found guilty, I am entitled to appeal that judgment to the Superior Court and have a de novo trial before a jury.

I understand that I must appear in court at the dates and times given to me.

I acknowledge that the above have been explained to me, and that I understand these rights.

_____ **Signature of the Defendant**	**Date**