

CRIMINAL TRAFFIC AND MISDEMEANOR CASES – DIVISION X

All criminal traffic and misdemeanor proceedings (including arraignments, dispositions, violation of probation hearings, motion hearings, non-jury trials, and jury trials) will be conducted in-person in Courtroom 3 at the Plant City Courthouse.

You will receive a written notice, through U.S. mail from the Clerk of the Court, advising you as to your scheduled court date.

If you fail to appear at the scheduled time, a warrant may be issued for your arrest.

Pleas in Absentia

Assuming there is no objection from the Office of the State Attorney, Judge Weis will accept a plea *in absentia* for any criminal traffic or misdemeanor proceeding. A fingerprint card will be required for any sentence which includes incarceration and/or probation or for any enhanceable offense. The plea and sentence will be placed on the record with the presence of the defendant waived. **The original plea and fingerprint card must be provided to the Court at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the hearing.**

Questions?

If you have any questions about this procedure, please contact either your attorney or Judge Weis' judicial assistant, Rhonda Henson, at rhonda.henson@fljud13.org or (813) 272-6187.