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YOUTH AID PANEL APPLICATION

NAME: _____

INCIDENT #: _____

ADDRESS _____

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As the result of contact with police officers and/or police investigation, this police department is considering filing a Citation with the District Court or Petition with the Juvenile Court. The filing of a Citation with the District Court results in you being charged with a summary offense as outlined by the Pennsylvania Crimes Code and upon conviction, you could be required to pay a fine and court costs. Convictions for certain summary offenses such and Underage Drinking will also result in a suspension of your operator's privilege. The filing of a Petition with the Juvenile Court will result in you being charged with a Misdemeanor Offense and will require your appearance before the Juvenile Court. You must be represented by an attorney throughout Juvenile Court proceedings and upon conviction, you could be placed on probation and directed to pay fines and court costs. The filing of a Petition with the Juvenile Court may result in you having a juvenile arrest record in Pennsylvania and upon conviction, a record of delinquency.

The Chester County Juvenile Court System recognizes that these possible outcomes of court appearances could have long-term ramifications to the youth and create substantial financial hardships on the family. In an attempt to expand the ability of the court system to handle all juvenile offenders in an appropriate manner, the Juvenile Court System offers a Community Youth Aid Panel Program. This program is primarily designed to divert first time offenders of less serious offenses from the formal court system.

The East Vincent Township Police Department has reviewed your case and determined you are eligible to apply to the Northern Chester County Youth Aid Panel for resolution. This panel has been trained to render an individual and personalized resolution to this offense. The panel does not determine guilt or innocence, rather it attempts to fashion a disposition which will help the youth avoid similar actions in the future and ultimately, any further contact with law enforcement officials and the court system.

Specific requirements and agreements are outlined on the Youth Aid Panel Agreement Form which is part of this Application. Upon successful completion of the panel's resolution, this department will consider the matter closed and not file the Citation with the District Court or Petition with the Juvenile Court. Hence, eliminating court appearances and possible fines and court costs as well as a possible juvenile arrest and delinquency record.

You are under no obligation to apply for appearance before the Northern Chester County Youth Aid Panel and may at any time opt out of this process and exercise your constitutional rights and those rights afforded you by the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure before the appropriate court.

Signature of Juvenile

Police Officer

Signature of Parent of Guardian

Date

Date: _____