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Notice of Payment Alternatives For Fines, Costs, and Restitution

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 19.2-354, the Court has authorized the Clerk of this Court to establish and approve, in conformity with Virginia Code Section 19.2-354 and Rule 1:24 of the Rules of Supreme Court of Virginia, individual deferred or installment payment agreements for defendants convicted of, or found not innocent in the case of a juvenile, and ordered to pay fines, costs and/or restitution for, traffic infractions or violations of any criminal law of the Commonwealth or of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth.

Any defendant who is <u>unable</u> to pay fines and costs for a particular offense within 30 days of conviction, or other disposition authorized by law, must be offered by the convicting court the opportunity to enter into either a deferred payment agreement, a modified deferred payment agreement or an installment payment agreement to pay those fines and costs.

Payment Terms: There are four options for payment of fines and/or costs and three options for payment of restitution:

Deferred Payment Agreement: A deferred payment agreement is an agreement in which you agree to pay the full amount of the fines, costs and/or restitution at the end of the stated term and no monthly installment payments are required.

Modified Deferred Payment Agreement: A modified deferred payment agreement is a deferred payment agreement in which the defendant also agrees to use best efforts to make monthly or other periodic payments.

Installment Payment Agreement: An installment payment agreement is an agreement in which you agree to make monthly payments until the fines, costs and/or restitution are paid in full.

Community Service Agreement: The agreement is supervised by the Department of Community Corrections or Probation and Parole. This allows you to discharge all or part of your fines and/or costs by earning credits for performance of community service work. Hours are credited at the federal minimum wage rate (as adjusted). The current rate is \$7.25 per hour. You may not participate in this agreement to pay restitution, restitution interest, or restitution collection fee.