

State of Arkansas

Vs

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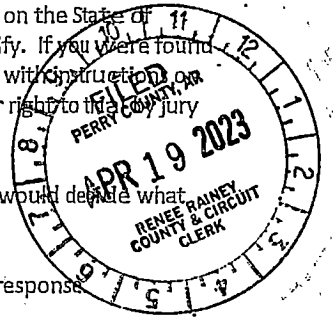
CASE NO. 20-27

10-40 (6e) PLEA STATEMENT (3-10)

You are charged with MURDER 1st, ARSON (6-30), Abuse of Corpse, Tampering Evidence (0-6) in the Perry County Circuit Court. It is necessary that you fully understand the entire contents of this document.

You are charged with a (felony/misdemeanor) and with 0 prior convictions. You could receive a sentence of from 0 to SL (6e) in the (state penitentiary/county jail) and/or a fine of up to \$ 3500.

You have the right to plead not guilty and to be tried before the court or a jury with the burden on the State of proving your guilt beyond a reasonable doubt. At the trial, you would have the right to testify or not testify. If you were found not guilty, you would be released on the charges for which you were tried. If, after determining the facts with instruction of the law from the court, the jury found you guilty, then they would fix your punishment. If you waive your right to the jury and elect a court trial, the court will determine both the facts and the law.



On the other hand, if you are guilty, you have a right to plead guilty to the Judge and the Judge would decide what your sentence should be.

With these thoughts in mind, you must answer each of the following questions and initial your response.

- | | YES | NO | INITIALS |
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| 1. Do you understand the minimum and maximum possible sentences for the offense with which you have been charged? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>SR</u> |
| 2. Do you understand that your plea of guilty is a waiver of your right to a trial by jury and of your right to appeal to the Arkansas Supreme Court? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>SR</u> |
| 3. Do you fully understand what you are charged with having done? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>SR</u> |
| 4. Have you discussed your case fully with your attorney and are you satisfied with his/her services? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>SR</u> |
| 5. Are you certain that your plea of guilty has not been induced by any force, threat, or promise apart from a plea agreement? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>SR</u> |
| 6. Do you realize that the Judge is not required to carry out any understanding between you, your attorney, and the prosecuting attorney, and that the power of sentence is with the court only? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>SR</u> |

FOR NON-CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES

If you are not a citizen of the United States of America, has your attorney informed you that by this plea, you will be subjecting yourself to a risk of being deported?

N/A

Do you freely and voluntarily choose to enter your plea of guilty knowing that it could result in your deportation pursuant to the laws and regulations governing the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service?

If your answer is "yes" to each of the proceeding questions, and if you fully understand every detail of your guilty plea, then carefully read the following statement and sign in the appropriate space with your lawyer witnessing your signature.

I am aware of everything in this document. I fully understand what my rights are, and I voluntarily plead guilty, because I am guilty as charged.

SR
DEFENDANT'S SIGNATURE

I have carefully explained this document to the accused. To the best of my knowledge, he fully understands all of it. His plea of guilty is consistent with the facts he has related to me and with my own investigation of this case.

4/19/23
DATE

W. J. ...
ATTORNEY'S SIGNATURE