

# United States District Court

DISTRICT OF \_\_\_\_\_

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
V.

**CONSENT TO PROCEED BEFORE  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
IN A PETTY OFFENSE CASE**

CASE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

The United States magistrate judge has explained to me the nature of the offense(s) with which I am charged and the maximum possible penalties which might be imposed if I am found guilty. The magistrate judge has informed me of my right to the assistance of legal counsel.

The magistrate judge has informed me of my right to trial, judgement, and sentencing before a United States district judge or United States magistrate judge.

The magistrate judge has also advised me of my right to have at least thirty days to prepare for trial before the magistrate judge.

**I HEREBY: Waive (give up) my right to trial, judgment, and sentencing before a United States district judge, and consent to trial, judgment and sentencing before a United States magistrate judge; and  
Waive (give up) my right to have at least thirty days to prepare for trial.\***

X \_\_\_\_\_,  
Defendant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant's Attorney (if any)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Before \_\_\_\_\_  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

\* The defendant need not waive this right in order to be tried by the magistrate judge. Accordingly, strike this sentence if the defendant wishes to have at least thirty days to prepare for trial.