

## WHAT ARE MY CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS?

All persons accused of any crime or traffic offense that might result in a jail sentence have the following rights:

- 1) To have a lawyer present with you at all hearings;
- 2) To have a lawyer appointed at public expense if you cannot afford to hire one to represent you;
- 3) To represent yourself without a lawyer;
- 4) To a public and speedy trial;
- 5) To cross examine any witness who testifies against you;
- 6) To call witnesses to testify on your behalf and have the Court compel their attendance;
- 7) To testify or not testify yourself. If you choose not to, no one can make you testify; and
- 8) To appeal to Superior Court if you are convicted after a "not guilty" plea.

After informing you of all these matters you will be asked by the Judge to plead guilty or not guilty to the charge.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_