

**10-711. Waiver of arraignment and denial of delinquent act.**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
IN THE CHILDREN'S COURT

In the Matter of \_\_\_\_\_, a Child.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

**WAIVER OF ARRAIGNMENT AND  
DENIAL OF DELINQUENT ACT**

I was given a copy of the petition which charges me with committing a delinquent act. I have read the petition, and it has been explained to me by my attorney. I understand what I am charged with and the possible penalties that I face, including a disposition as a delinquent child in need of care or supervision.

I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS:

1. the RIGHT to personally appear before the children's court and to admit or deny the charge(s) and to have my rights explained;
2. the RIGHT to trial by jury;
3. the RIGHT to the assistance of an attorney at all stages of the proceedings and to have an attorney appointed free of charge if I cannot afford one;
4. the RIGHT to confront the witnesses against me and to cross-examine them as to the truthfulness of their testimony;
5. the RIGHT to present evidence on my own behalf and to have the State compel witnesses of my choosing to appear and testify; and
6. the RIGHT to remain silent.

With this knowledge and understanding, I give up the right to personally appear before the children's court for arraignment and hereby deny the delinquent acts charged in the above-referenced petition.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Child

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I have explained to the child the child's right to personally appear before the children's court to enter a denial and to have the child's rights explained by the Judge. I am satisfied that the child understands the waiver of his or her rights.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for Child

APPROVED:

- 
- [ ] Children's Court Judge
  - [ ] Children's Court Hearing Officer

[Adopted, effective July 1, 1995; 10-415A recompiled and amended as 10-711 by Supreme Court Order No. 16-8300-017, effective for all cases pending or filed on or after December 31, 2016.]