

State of Nevada Board of Parole Commissioners
Waiver of Right to Counsel at Parole Violation Hearing

I, _____, am aware of my right to be assisted and represented by an attorney at the parole violation hearing and may be represented by a private attorney of my choice at my expense, or a public defender if indigent. I understand that not having an attorney may affect the outcome of this hearing; and, if I am found guilty of violating my parole, it may result in my incarceration. I wish to waive my right to an attorney at this hearing.

I understand that my constitutional rights include the following:

- A. I understand that I have the right to subpoena witnesses that I may need in my defense.
- B. I understand that I have the right to confront all witness who will be called to testify against me, and I have the right to cross-examine those witnesses.
- C. I understand that I cannot be compelled to testify unless I so desire.
- D. I understand that I have the right to testify and to produce evidence on my own behalf.
- E. I understand that I have a right to act as my own attorney and may waive my right to the assistance of an attorney.
- F. I further understand that if I am permitted to represent myself, I will have to conduct my own defense without the assistance of an attorney.

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I understand that there are numerous disadvantages to representing myself, including, but not limited to the following:

- A. I understand that if I had a lawyer, that lawyer would be able to investigate my case and advise me as to my options.
- B. I understand that if I am permitted to represent myself it will be necessary for me, without the assistance of an attorney, to prepare my own defense without the advice of a lawyer, do my own research, and conduct my own investigation.
- C. I understand the case against me will be handled by an officer who is experienced in violation proceedings.
- D. I understand that I will not be entitled to special consideration or assistance by the Board and that the rules of law will not be set aside because I represent myself.
- E. I understand that if I am permitted to represent myself, it will be necessary for me, without the assistance of any attorney, to defend myself, including, but not limited to making an opening statement, cross-examining the witnesses, subpoenaing and presenting my own witnesses, and making any final argument.
- F. I understand that I may waive constitutional, statutory, and common law rights unknowingly and that I may, in effect, conduct a defense which is ultimately to my own detriment.
- G. I understand that if I am in custody, it may be difficult for me to contact witnesses and investigate my case. I understand that I will have limited access to a telephone, to legal research and to legal information which may make preparations for my defense more difficult.
- H. I understand that this Board advises and recommends that I accept an appointed attorney. The Board has advised me to not act as my own attorney.
- I. I understand that the results of the violation hearing may range from immediate reinstatement to revocation of parole to the maximum time allowed per Nevada Revised Statutes for the underlying conviction depending upon the seriousness of the violation(s).

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I have read and fully understand all the information set forth above. I understand all the warnings, and still wish to represent myself in this matter. I freely and voluntarily give up my right to have an attorney represent me. I choose to represent and defend myself without a lawyer.

DATE

PAROLEE SIGNATURE

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