FORM SUMMARY

Name of Form: Plea Ouestionnaire and Waiver of Rights

Form Number: **CR-227**

Statutory Reference: §971.08, Wisconsin Statutes

Benchbook Reference: CR 13

Purpose of Form: To provide a standard format for a defendant to complete when

entering a plea and waiving rights.

Who Completes It: The defendant (usually with the assistance of an attorney).

Distribution of Form: Court.

Generally none, although additional documentation may be needed. **Accompanying Forms:**

For example:

Complex plea agreements may be in writing;

Specific conditions of probation or extended supervision may be too long to fit in the space provided;

The elements of the charge(s) may be spelled out in greater

detail than is available in the space provided;

Answers to some questions may require further explanation.

New Form/Modification: Modified; last update 05/04.

Modifications: Pursuant to 2019 WI Act 30, updated to add party/attorney address,

email address and telephone number.

Comments: Adult criminal courts and some juvenile courts have utilized written

> plea questionnaire forms for several years. The plea questionnaire does not eliminate the need for a personal colloquy between the court official and the defendant, but it does allow the court a reference that can shorten the plea taking process. It also provides defense counsel with a format to follow to ensure coverage of all relevant issues.

About this Form: This form is the product of the Wisconsin Record Management

Committee and the Director of State Court's Office and a mandate

of the Wisconsin Judicial Conference.

If you have additional information that does not change the

meaning of the form, attach it as a separate page to this form.

The form itself shall not be altered.

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