

# THINGS TO REMEMBER BEFORE TALKING WITH A PROSECUTOR

## **\*A PROSECUTOR IS NOT YOUR ATTORNEY\***

The Prosecutor is a representative of the State and cannot provide you with legal advice. If you feel you need advice on how to resolve your ticket, please consider hiring and consulting with an attorney.

A Class C misdemeanor is a criminal charge, meaning this is a legal process with two opposing sides and a neutral party that determines guilt. The prosecutor is hired to represent the State and does not decide your guilt. Guilt is only decided by either:

**Judge**

(Bench Trial)

or

**Jury**

(Jury Trial)

### **Things you *should* discuss with prosecutor:**

- offer for deferred to resolve your ticket
- changing your plea to resolve your ticket
- how to request discovery

### **Things you *should not* discuss with prosecutor:**

- facts of your case
- advice on how to plead
- trial procedures

***ANY STATEMENTS MADE TO A PROSECUTOR CAN AND WILL BE USED AGAINST YOU IN TRIAL***

## **PAYMENT PLANS**

Should you want to set a payment plan and cannot pay your ticket in full, you will need to see the Judge. Know that this will result in a conviction.

If you'd like an offer to keep your ticket off your record, please refer to the below chart:

# How To Resolve Your Case With The Prosecutor

