

For those of you with clients in the Charleston County Jail, Judge Dennis is willing to hear jail pleas by video next Wednesday, April 1. The court time has not been set yet. Lawyers will appear in court like video bond court. However, this is only on cases that are already worked out for “time served” or probation and release. The whole idea is to get people out of custody.

The defendant will not be required to sign the sentencing sheet and there is no need for a Plea Acknowledgement form for this proceeding. The Court will cover Faretta with the defendant by video. There will be a court reporter or recorder there.

The Clerk needs the names of clients by end of business tomorrow, Thursday March 26. Send them to James Milone and Jennifer Mason:
jmilone@charlestoncounty.org and jmason@charlestoncounty.org

Also, the solicitors have been more receptive to negotiation and to consent bond reductions in the last week due to the current health crisis. If you get a consent bond, email it to the clerks and they will get Judge Dennis’ signature and send the release to the jail.

I will send out something when we get the time of these hearings.

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