

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR COUNTY OF LEWIS CITY OF CENTRALIA

State of Washington, County of Lewis, City of Centralia <p style="text-align: center;">Plaintiff,</p> vs. _____, <p style="text-align: center;">Defendant.</p>	Cause No. _____ Petition for Contested Hearing on Infraction(s) via Written Statement
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This is the form used to request a deferred finding and/or a mitigation hearing by mail. **Fill out the Front and Back of this form, sign it, and return it as indicated below.**

<p><input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if you wish to request a finding of committed to be DEFERRED.</p> <p>A DEFERRED FINDING is available only for traffic infractions. Within a seven-year period, a person may receive one deferred finding on a moving violation, and one deferred finding on a nonmoving violation. A deferred finding is discretionary, and the Judge may not grant deferred findings on some infractions. Drivers with CDL's who committed infractions in a commercial vehicle are not eligible for a deferred finding. If the judge grants your deferred finding, the decision on your case will be deferred for 12 months. During that time, you must not commit any crimes or infractions and you must pay an administrative fee of \$250 (+\$10.00 time payment fee is assessed). If you satisfy both conditions, your infractions(s) will be dismissed. If not, the infraction(s) will be found committed and you will have to pay the original fine amount, plus any other applicable fees and costs. Further, if you do not satisfy both conditions of a deferred finding, you will be reported to the Washington Department of Licensing (DOL), who may begin processing your driver's license for suspension. <u>Fill out the rest of this form even if you are requesting a deferred finding. If you request a deferred finding using this form, but are not granted the deferred, the Court will conduct a contested hearing based upon your statement below.</u></p>

I request a contested hearing by written statement.

The undersigned Defendant requests that the Court review this declaration made under penalty of perjury and reduce the amount of the penalty set by law for the infraction(s) charged.

I have received a notice of infraction for the following offense(s):

1. _____ Penalty \$ _____
2. _____ Penalty \$ _____
3. _____ Penalty \$ _____

I did not commit the infraction(s). I ask the court to reduce the penalty for the following reasons (lines continue on back of form; you may also attach additional materials if needed) **Note: Anything submitted to the court will not be retained or returned.**

I promise to pay the monetary penalty authorized by law or, at the discretion of the Court, any reduced penalty that may be set.

I request _____ months (12 months maximum) to pay the penalty in full.

I understand there shall be no appeal from a decision on written statements pursuant to LLIRLJ 3.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that all of the statements above are true and correct.

[Date and Place Signed]

[Defendant’s Signature]

Defendant’s printed name and mailing address: _____

Defendant’s phone number, incase needed: _____

Defendant’s email address: _____

Within 15 days from receipt of this form, submit the completed form to the Centralia Municipal Court by mail to Centralia Municipal Court, PO BOX 609, Centralia, WA 98531 or via email drop box at CourtRecords@cityofcentralia.com