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DUI Guilty Pleas who wish to Apply for House Arrest

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Benefits

First time offenders, or repeat offenders who do not qualify for ARD, and who face a minimum of 2, 3, 5, 10 or 30 days in jail if convicted, can instead apply to receive 30 days of house arrest.

Repeat offenders facing 90 days in jail can apply to instead receive 3 months of house arrest.

Repeat offenders facing 1 year in jail can apply to instead receive 6 months in jail with work release, followed by 6 months of house arrest.

Qualifications

1. The DUI offense with which you are charged cannot have resulted in an accident that caused serious bodily injury to anyone other than you, the defendant.
2. At the time of the DUI arrest the defendant cannot have had his or her license or driving privileges still suspended as a result of an earlier DUI case.
3. The defendant must be drug and alcohol free at the time of the presentence interview with the probation office (testing will be required), but a positive result will not necessarily exclude you from the program.
4. To be considered for Electronic Monitoring the defendant must have a land based phone with long distance service enabled.
5. There can be no history of failure to appear, absconding, or serious violations of probation, parole or past intermediate punishment dispositions.
6. The defendant's permanent or temporary residence, must be within the geographical boundaries of Monroe County.
7. The defendant must be employed.

What You Must do to get House Arrest

1. Plead guilty at the DUI Call of the List and make an appointment for a presentence interview with the Monroe County Probation Department.
2. You must phone DUI Services of Monroe County at 570-476-8080 within 15 days of preliminary hearing to set up CRN evaluation, and abide by treatment recommendations while under supervision.
3. You must pay the \$10.00 per day Electronic Monitoring fee (\$300.00 for 30 days, \$900.00 for 90 days) on or before your court date, which usually occurs within 30 days of today's waiver of preliminary hearing.

All defendants who choose to participate in the House Arrest Electronic Monitoring Program must understand that this is an alternative to incarceration and is not guaranteed. If you test positive for drugs and/or alcohol at the time you report for hook up, you will be violated and immediately taken to the jail to await re-sentencing.

While participating in the House Arrest Electronic Monitoring Program you are subject to **full time home confinement** except for **pre-approved** times that the Court or probation office will allow for travel to essential activities such as a structured work schedule, educational program, and drug or alcohol counseling sessions. All other activity is prohibited.

Any violation of program requirements is enforced strictly by the Court and very likely results in:

UP TO 6 MONTHS IN JAIL FOR THE VIOLATOR.