REENTRY COURT PROGRAM RULES

COUNTY OF SUMMIT ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

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You are entering the Judicial Release program known as the Reentry Court. This program offers a specialized level of supervision and services to felony offenders. You will be assigned a caseworker at Oriana House for case management and required to sign specific rules for case management. Your caseworker will complete an assessment on you and make referrals, as needed, for drug and/or alcohol treatment, counseling, education, mental health, employment, or money management. You will be under the supervision of the Court and required to make frequent court appearances while in the program.

Your selection for placement into the program is important to the Court and the community. The goal is that you graduate from the program as a productive and vital citizen in the community. Ultimately, the main focus is to keep you in the community and out of prison. That requires a change in you and your attitude. This program will teach you how to refocus your thinking with the specialized, intensive level of supervision it offers.

The Court determines the length of your placement in the program. When you are released from prison, you will be placed in either an intensive non-residential program or you may require a residential setting, depending on the outcome of your assessment. Successful completion requires your compliance with court orders and program rules, completion of programs to which you are referred, achieving the goals of your Individual Program Plan (IPP), abstinence from alcohol and drugs, submission to drug and alcohol testing, completion of all four phases of the program, and full payment of court costs, program fees, fines or restitution.

Your caseworker will fully explain your program goals and your IPP. Your participation and compliance with program rules will lead to rewards or possibly an early graduation. Non-compliance may result in sanctions or, ultimately, termination from the program. Overall, rewards include, but are not limited to, a reduction in program requirements, such as, less frequent court appearances, quicker advancement from one phase to another, less frequent drug testing, waiver of community service hours, recognition for small accomplishments in court or early graduation from the program. Sanctions may include, but are not limited to, increased court appearances, repeat of program activities, increased drug testing, jail, community service, verbal reprimand or termination from the program.

There are four (4) phases to the Reentry Court Program:

Phase I (approx 4 wks)	Phase II (approx 2-4 mos)	Phase III (approx 5 mos)	Phase IV (4-8 mos)
Assessment/Orientation Initial meeting w/caseworker for assessment, signing of rules, and explanation of program. Attend weekly court hearings.	Community Involvement Continue programming and complete goals established. Attend monthly court hearings.	Implementation Maintain compliance and pay on financial obligations. Attend all court hearings as ordered.	Maintenance Full compliance w/programming. All fees must be paid in full. Complete -Thinking For a Changeø Attend all court hearings as ordered.