### INFORMATION ON APPEALS FROM THE MUNICIPAL COURT TO THE DISTRICT COURT (Rule 37 of the Colorado Rules of Criminal Procedure)

### **\*\*FOR CRIMINAL/TRAFFIC TRIALS ONLY, <u>NOT</u> FOR VEHICLE IMPOUND APPEALS \*\***

Do not rely on this information sheet as a complete explanation of the appeal process. It is meant as only a guide. If you are unsure about how to complete the Notice of Appeal and Designation of Record form or how to complete the appeal process, please consult an attorney. Do not ask the clerks of the court for assistance, they are prohibited from giving legal advice.

APPEALS FROM THE MUNICIPAL COURT ARE HEARD BY THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 20TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AND ARE BASED ON THE RECORD MADE IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT. A NEW TRIAL IS NOT CONDUCTED.

### 1. **PROCEDURE**

\*Within thirty (30) days after final judgment, date of sentencing, or the denial of post-trial motions, file a "Notice of Appeal" with the Boulder Municipal Court located at 1777-6th Street, Boulder, CO , stating the alleged errors of the proceedings (Mailing address is P.O. Box 8015, Boulder, CO 80306-8015). You must also file a copy of this notice with the City Attorney's office either by mail (City Attorney's office, P.O. Box 791, Boulder, CO 80306-0791) or hand delivery at 1777-6th Street, Boulder, CO, at the same time it is filed with the Boulder Municipal Court. At the same time you must file the following:

- 1) A bond in the amount of the fines and costs must be posted in Boulder Municipal Court for the appeal.
- 2) A \$250.00 deposit is required for the transcription of the record in your appeal. This amount is separate from the fines and costs. If the cost of the transcript does not exceed the deposit, the remainder will be refunded to you. If the cost does exceed the deposit, the additional amount must be paid before transcription can be completed. The appellant also has to pay any additional transcription costs requested by the appellee within 5 days of notification or the appeal will be dismissed. This amount (transcript fee) is not refundable.

\*You must also include with the notice a "Designation of Record on Appeal" (designation of the evidence and specific proceedings that you want to have photocopied and/or transcribed and included in the record to be forwarded to the District Court).

\*Further, you must also docket the appeal in the Boulder District Court, 1777-6th Street, Boulder, CO, and pay a docket fee within the same thirty (30) days.

\*After the record has been completed, the clerk of the Municipal Court will give written notice to you and the City Attorney's office. You and the City Attorney's office then have ten (10) days to file any written objections to the record. If objections are filed, a hearing will generally be held before the Municipal Court Judge, if no objections are presented, the record will be certified to the District Court.

\*The case will then be in the hands of the District Court and you must follow its procedures.

### THE CLERKS, BY LAW, ARE FORBIDDEN TO GIVE LEGAL ADVICE

### WARNING: THIS IS NOT A COMPLETE ADVISEMENT OF YOUR RIGHTS, OR ALL PROCEDURES YOU MUST FOLLOW TO PROPERLY APPEAL YOUR CASE. QUESTIONS OF A LEGAL NATURE MUST BE DIRECTED TO AN ATTORNEY,

## SAMPLE FORM: PLEASE USE THIS FORM ONLY AS A GUIDE FOR YOUR DESIGNATION OF RECORD.

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT, CITY OF BOULDER, COLORADO Court Address: 1777 6th Street, Boulder, CO 80302		
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PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF BOULDER, by and on behalf of, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO, Plaintiff (Appellee) vs.	Case Number: Your summons number is typed here Courtroom.:	
Your name is typed here , Defendant (Appellant)		
NOTICE OF APPEAL		

The Defendant alleges the following errors of the Municipal Court:

(Please read the following paragraph. It's taken from the Colorado Rules of Criminal Procedure. It specifies the information that you must include in this section of the Notice of Appeal.) **Cule 37(b)**: Contents of Notice of Appeal & Designation of Record. The notice of appeal shall state with particularity the alleged errors of the county (municipal) court or other grounds relied upon for the appeal, and shall include a stipulation or designation of the evidence and other proceedings which the appellant desires to have included in the record certified to district court. If the appellant intends to urge upon appeal that the judgement or a finding or conclusion is unsupported by the evidence or is contrary to the evidence, the appellant shall include in the record a transcript of all evidence relevant to such finding or conclusion.<sup>@</sup></sup>

Said appeal will be docketed in the District Court pursuant to Rule 37 of the Colorado Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Done this \_\_\_\_\_ , 20

Appellant or Attorney for Appellant

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BOULDER, COLORADO		
Court Address: 1777 6th Street, Boulder, CO		
80302		
PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF BOULDER, by and on behalf of, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF		
COLORADO, Plaintiff (Appellee)		
VS.	Case Number: Your summons number is typed here	
	Courtroom:	
Your name is typed here, Defendant (Appellant)		
DESIGNATION OF RECORD ON APPEAL		

The clerk will prepare for the District Court a record of error which shall include the following:

Type in everything you want to designate

Requested this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ , 20 \_\_\_.

Appellant or Attorney for Appellant

### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/HAND DELIVERY**

I hereby certify that on the \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_ a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by hand delivery to the City Attorney's Office, Prosecution Division, 1777 - 6th Street, Boulder, CO 80302 and by placing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to the following:

BY:\_\_\_\_\_

### REQUEST FOR TRANSCRIPT OF TAPE OF COURT HEARING ON THE RECORD BOULDER MUNICIPAL COURT P. O. BOX 8015 BOULDER, CO. 80306-8015 303-441-1842

Date:	
Your Name:	
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Daytime Phone No.:	
Name on Case:	Case #
Tapes Needed From - Date(s)/Type of Hearing (Your provide so, you MUST be specific)	request will be based on the information you
Date Needed by (allow 10 working days - 2 weeks)	
I AUTHORIZE AND AGREE TO PAY FOR THE FO ONE ORIGINAL (in has been designated to be placed in the record, then the appeal packetYou must order and pay for copies for SET(S) OF PHOTOC	the event this is for an appeal and this transcript original will be sent to District Court with the your personal use.
Signature Date	
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