

Reading North Carolina Criminal Records: Sample Annotated Record

This sample annotated record is designed to help employers understand North Carolina criminal records. Use it with our companion guide, [Reading North Carolina Criminal Records: Key Terms](#).

Depending on where you get your records, your record format may not exactly match this sample. Some records may have additional information about witnesses and complainants, case events and hearings, and attorney and bond information. In this sample, we streamlined criminal records down to the core sections that provide key information about the criminal charges and their resolution.

This is a sample record; it does not involve a real person.

See something you don't understand on a record? Let us know [here](#).

Wake Superior Court
Case No. 23CR123456-000

Defendant

Name: John Doe
Date of Birth: 12/30/1998
Address: 123 E. Main St.
Somewhere, NC 00000
Eye Color: Brown
Height: 5'11"
Race: White
Gender: Male

Filed on: 01/02/2023
Case Type: Criminal
Case Status: 03/08/2023 Disposed

Case Information

A **case** contains the charges against the defendant. Each case has a unique number.

Every record will have information about the **defendant**.

This case was **disposed** (completed) on March 8, 2023.

This is the date charges were filed.

Case Number: 23CR123456-000

Appealed from Lower Court: No

County: Wake

Filing Date: 01/02/2023

This section lists the crime(s) at issue. This case has three **charges or counts**.

Offenses

This is the law that makes the conduct a crime.

Count 1.) Description: OBTAIN PROPERTY FALSE PRETENSE
Statute: 14-100
Degree: Felony – H
Offense date: 01/01/2023

This is the description of the crime.

This charge is a class H **felony**.

This is the date the crime is alleged to have occurred.

Count 2.) Description: SPEEDING
Statute: 20-141(J1)
Degree: Misdemeanor – 3
Offense date: 01/01/2023

This charge is a class 3 **misdemeanor**.

This charge is an **infraction**. Infractions are not crimes.

Count 3.) Description: IMPROPER PASSING ON RIGHT
Statute: 20-150.1
Degree: Infraction
Offense date: 01/01/2023

A **dispositions** section or field tells you how the charges were resolved.

Dispositions

Count 1.) Description: OBTAIN PROPERTY FALSE PRETENSE

The defendant pled **not guilty** to this charge.

Plea: NOT GUILTY
Date Case Disposed in District Court: 01/09/2023
Method of Disposition: Indictment

This is an intermediate disposition in **district court**. The final disposition is the **superior court** disposition.

Superior Court Trial Date: 03/06/2023
Superior Court Disposition: GUILTY
Superior Court Disposition Date: 03/08/2023
Method of Disposition: Jury

The final superior court disposition was **guilty**.

Sentence: Community
Probation: SUPERVISED
Conditions:

The defendant's **sentence** was **probation**.

- 1.) 24 hours community service.
- 2.) Commit no criminal offense in any jurisdiction.
- 3.) Report as directed by the court or probation officer.
- 4.) Remain gainfully and suitably employed.

Count 2.) Description: SPEEDING

The defendant pled **no contest** to this charge.

Plea: NO CONTEST

Date Case Disposed in District Court: 01/09/2023

Method of Disposition: Judge

Sentence: Community

Fine: \$200

This charge began and ended in **district court**.

The **sentence** was a \$200 fine.

Count 3.) Description: IMPROPER PASSING ON RIGHT

Plea: N/A

Date Case Disposed in District Court: 01/09/2023

Method of Disposition: VD – Voluntary Dismissal by State

This count was **dismissed**; it was dropped by the prosecutor.

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