

## **Deferred Disposition**

You may be eligible for deferred disposition, sometimes known as probation, on your case.

Once the Judge accepts your plea of guilty or no contest, your case may be placed on deferred disposition for a period of time (between 1 to 180 days). Fees (to include a special expense fee) and costs may be assessed against your case as a penalty, and you will be given a specific date by which those amounts must be paid. The Judge may also require additional conditions as part of the deferred disposition.

All defendants requesting deferred position who are under the age of 25 and charged with a moving violation must complete a driver safety course, as required by law. These defendants will be required to present the driver safety course certificate of completion to the Court by the end of the probation period.

### **Offenses/Defendants not eligible for Deferred Disposition:**

- Those who held a CDL at the time of the offense and charged with a moving violation;
- Any traffic offense committed in a construction zone;
- Failure to give information at accident scene;
- Leaving the scene of an accident;
- Passing or overtaking a school bus;
- Reckless driving;
- Serious traffic violation as defined by the Texas Transportation code, which applies to drivers with a Commercial Driver's License (CDL); and
- Speeding 25 mph or more over the speed limit.

You may request deferred disposition in person, by mail, by email or by fax. The request must be submitted in writing. For your convenience, you may find a form on our website under the "Request Forms" section.