



Ohio Revised Code Section 2935.17 Form of affidavit.

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(A) An affidavit in either of the following forms is sufficient:

(1) "State of Ohio,

_____ County, ss:

Before me, A.B., personally came C.D., who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says that on or about the day of _____, _____, at the county of _____ one E.F. (here describe the offense as nearly according to the nature thereof as the case will admit, in ordinary concise language) C.D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, _____

A.B., County Judge

Clerk of _____ Court"

(2) "State of Ohio,

_____ County, ss:

Before me, A.B., personally came C.D., who being duly sworn according to law says that on or about the _____ day of _____, _____, one E.F. did: (here listing several common offenses, plainly but tersely described as: fail to stop at stop sign, pass at crest of grade, etc., with a ruled box before each, and then showing an X or distinctive mark in front of the offense claimed to be committed). C.D.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this _____ day of _____, _____



A.B., County Judge

Clerk of _____ Court"

(B) A complaint in the following form is sufficient:

"State of Ohio,

_____ County, ss:

The undersigned (assistant) prosecuting attorney of _____ County complains that on or about the ____ day of _____, _____, one E.F. did (here describing the offense committed as above) based on affidavit of _____ filed with me.

Prosecuting Attorney/City

Director of Law"

Provided, that the supreme court of Ohio, may, by rule, provide for the uniform type and language to be used in any affidavit or complaint to be filed in any court inferior to the court of common pleas for violations of the motor vehicle and traffic acts and related ordinances and in any notice to violator to appear in such courts, and may require that such forms and no other, shall be received in such courts, and issued to violators.