

## JUVENILE COURT TERMINOLOGY

<b>Juvenile Court Term</b>	<b>Adult Court Term</b>
Minor	Defendant
Companion	Co-Defendant
Petition	Criminal Complaint
Arraignment	Arraignment
Detention Hearing	Bail Hearing
Wardship Proceeding	Functional equivalent to a pre-trial hearing
Adjudication	Trial
Admission	Plea of Guilty
Denial	Plea of Not Guilty
Petition is true/sustained	Found Guilty
Petition is not true/dismissed	Not Guilty
Disposition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Home on Probation</li> <li>➤ Suitable Placement</li> <li>➤ Camp Placement</li> <li>➤ DJJ</li> </ul>	Sentencing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Probation</li> <li>➤ Jail</li> <li>➤ Prison</li> </ul>

NOTE: The major differences between juvenile and adult court proceedings are: (1) minors do not have a constitutional right to trial by jury or to have bail set except following a fitness hearing where the minor is found unfit for juvenile court, and (2) the majority of hearings are closed to the public.