- (iii) The District Court shall promptly schedule the case for trial and summons the defendant to appear.
- (iv) The defendant's failure to respond to such summons shall result in the entry of judgment against the defendant in favor of the municipality in the amount then due if a proper demand for judgment on affidavit has been made.
- (6) (i) 1. An enforcement officer may also serve a summons with a citation that requires the person to appear in District Court on a specified date and time.
- 2. The summons shall specify that the person is not required to appear in District Court if the fine is paid as provided in the citation.
- 3. If approved by the Chief Judge of the Maryland District Court, the citation form may contain the summons.
- 4. The enforcement officer shall coordinate the selection of court dates with the appropriate District Court officials.
- (ii) If the defendant fails to pay the fine as provided in the citation and fails to appear in District Court as provided in the summons:
- 1. The municipality may double the fine to an amount not to exceed \$1,000; and
- 2. The Court may enter judgment against the defendant in the amount then due if the proper demand for judgment on affidavit has been made.
- (7) If any person shall be found by the District Court to have committed a municipal infraction:
- (i) 1. The District Court shall order the person to pay the fine, including any doubling of the fine, not to exceed the limits under paragraph (2) of this subsection:
- 2. The fines imposed shall constitute a judgment in favor of the municipality; and
- 3. If the fine remains unpaid for 30 days following the date of its entry, the judgment shall be enforceable in the same manner and to the same extent as other civil judgments for money unless the Court has suspended or deferred the payment of the fine as provided under subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph;
- (ii) The District Court may suspend or defer the payment of any fine under conditions that the Court sets;
- (iii) The person shall be liable for the costs of the proceedings in the District Court; and
- (iv) The Court may order the person to abate the infraction or enter an order permitting a municipality to abate any such infraction at the person's expense.