

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings.

2-608.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Charging document" means a written accusation alleging that a defendant has committed an offense.

(3) "Citation" means a charging document, other than an indictment, an information, or a statement of charges, issued to a defendant by a peace officer or other person authorized by law to do so.

(4) "Educator" means a principal, vice-principal, teacher, or teacher's aide at a public or private preschool, elementary, or secondary school.

(5) "EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL" MEANS:

(I) A CAREER FIREFIGHTER OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION;

(II) AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDER AS DEFINED IN § 13-516 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION;

~~(III) AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN AMBULANCE, BASIC, OR PARAMEDIC OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION;~~

~~(IV) (III)~~ A RESCUE SQUAD EMPLOYEE OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; AND

~~(V)~~ (IV) A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER, RESCUE SQUAD MEMBER, OR ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT UNIT MEMBER OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

[(5)] (6) "Indictment" means a charging document returned by a grand jury and filed in circuit court.

[(6)] (7) "Information" means a charging document filed in court by a State's Attorney.

[(7)] (8) "Offense" means a violation of the criminal laws of the State or any political subdivision of the State.

[(8)] (9) "Statement of charges" means a charging document, other than a citation, filed in District Court by a peace officer, a District Court Judge, or a District Court Commissioner.

[(9)] (10) "Law enforcement officer" means a law enforcement officer as defined in Article 27, § 727(b) of the Code or any federal law enforcement officer who exercises the powers set forth in Article 27, § 594B(h) of the Code.

(b) An application filed in the District Court that requests that a statement of charges be filed against a law enforcement officer, EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL, or an educator for an offense allegedly committed in the course of