

Glossary of Common Terms



ASSAULT- a person commits assault if the person causes bodily injury to another person or threatens to cause imminent bodily injury. Assaults can range from simple assault which usually results in a citation to aggravated assault, which depending on the circumstances can be a 1st degree felony.

BURGLARY- a person commits a burglary if, without the owners permission, the person enters a residence, building or vehicle with the intent to commit theft.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF- commonly referred to as Vandalism, a person commits criminal mischief if he damages or destroys property of another person.

ROBBERY- a person commits robbery if during a theft he causes injury or the threat of injury to the victim of the theft.