



CHAPTER 15A
ARTICLE 49 - PLEADINGS AND JOINDER

N.C.G.S. § 15A-921.

Pleadings in criminal cases.

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Subject to the provisions of this Article, the following may serve as pleadings of the State in criminal cases:

Citation.

Criminal summons.

Warrant for arrest.

Magistrate's order pursuant to G.S. 15A-511 after arrest without warrant.

Statement of charges.

Information.

Indictment.

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APPARATUS I
2 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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01	1973	c. 1286, s. 1		ENACTED
02	1975	c. 166, s. 18		AMENDED

APPARATUS II
1 AUTHORITY

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 15A-511	(null)(4)	"Magistrate's order pursuant to"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION
N.C. Gen. Stat. § 15A-921 (1975).

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