

907.1 Definitions.

As used in [this chapter](#), unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “*Deferred judgment*” means a sentencing option whereby both the adjudication of guilt and the imposition of a sentence are deferred by the court and whereby the court assesses a civil penalty as provided in [section 907.14](#) upon the entry of the deferred judgment. The court retains the power to pronounce judgment and impose sentence subject to the defendant’s compliance with conditions set by the court as a requirement of the deferred judgment.

2. “*Deferred sentence*” means a sentencing option whereby the court enters an adjudication of guilt but does not impose a sentence. The court retains the power to sentence the defendant to any sentence it originally could have imposed subject to the defendant’s compliance with conditions set by the court as a requirement of the deferred sentence.

3. “*Expunged*” means the court’s criminal record with reference to a deferred judgment or any other criminal record that has been segregated in a secure area or database which is exempted from public access.

4. “*Suspended sentence*” means a sentencing option whereby the court pronounces judgment and imposes a sentence and then suspends execution of the sentence subject to the defendant’s compliance with conditions set by the court as a requirement of the suspended sentence. Revocation of the suspended sentence results in the execution of sentence already pronounced.

5. “*Probation*” means the procedure under which a defendant, against whom a judgment of conviction of a public offense has been or may be entered, is released by the court subject to supervision by a resident of this state or by the judicial district department of correctional services.*

[C79, 81, §907.1]

[88 Acts, ch 1168, §2](#); [2005 Acts, ch 143, §3](#); [2012 Acts, ch 1054, §1, 4](#)

Referred to in [§901C.1](#)

*See [§905.2](#)

For transition provisions applicable to the duty of the court to expunge a dismissed count or related charge from the court’s records, see [2012 Acts, ch 1054, §4](#)