

VCCB C Suspended Proceedings

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It has come to my attention that judgment of conviction forms are being forwarded to the AOC Quantitative Research Unit where a defendant is granted suspended proceedings under the Controlled Dangerous Substances Act. As you know, suspended proceedings are not a final disposition and no VCCB penalty can be imposed at this juncture.

Given the large bulk of judgments coded in by our Quantitative Research Unit, it is possible that the distinction between a judgment of conviction and an order granting suspended proceedings recorded on a judgment of conviction will be missed. Because no VCCB penalty is noted on the form, non-compliance may be entered.

Accordingly, it would be appreciated if judgments of conviction were not forwarded until final disposition. This will assist us when reporting compliance levels to you.

EDITOR-S NOTE

The only change has been the replacement of the AOC Statistical Unit with the current AOC Quantitative Research Unit.