911 Call & Patrol Response

- Misdemeanor Arrest
  LINK FOR INFO

Suspect transported to jail & bail is set; police charge suspect with crime

- Felony Arrest
  LINK TO INFO

Suspect transported to jail; Bail is set; Case investigated by police department

- Felony police report made but no arrest
  LINK TO INFO

Case Investigated by police department

- Misdemeanor police report made but no arrest
  LINK TO INFO

Case reviewed by prosecutor at DASC & assigned for investigation if appropriate

After investigation or review is completed, investigator or prosecutor decides whether allegations rise to the level of criminal charges

If felony allegations are found, case is sent to HCAO for review

If misdemeanor allegations are found, case is sent to MCAO for review

If criminal charges cannot be supported, case is not charged & no criminal charges will be filed

If case is charged, a complaint is issued

If no criminal charges can be supported, case is not charged

Arraignment (First Appearance)

Pre-Trial / PCPT (Omnibus Hearing)

Trial

Court process continues until plea entered or case dismissed

If case is dismissed or defendant found not guilty after a trial, no further action will be taken in criminal court regarding the domestic violence call

If defendant pleads guilty or is found guilty after a trial, defendant will be sentenced by the Judge & in some cases placed on probation

Diagram of the Judicial Process Provided by:
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