

Phoenix Mercury Star Brittney Griner Pleads Guilty to Disorderly Conduct

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24-year-old Phoenix Mercury star player Brittney Griner accepted a plea deal this week in connection to her April 22 arrest. Griner and her 24-year-old fiancé, WNBA forward Glory Johnson were both arrested on suspicion of [assault](#) and disorderly conduct at their Goodyear, AZ home after a lovers' quarrel reportedly got out of hand.

According to police, [Johnson's sister called authorities](#) when no one inside the home was able to separate the engaged couple, who were allegedly throwing things at each other in their living room. At the time of their arrest, it was reported that Griner had injuries to her hand, wrist, and fingers and Johnson suffered lacerations to her right lip.

Both women have since been released from jail and [Griner has accepted a plea deal](#) and will enter a diversion program that involves 26 weeks of domestic violence counseling. If Griner successfully completes all terms of the program, the charges against her will be dismissed.

Disorderly Conduct Charges in Arizona

[Disorderly conduct](#) is defined by Arizona law as someone knowingly disturbing the peace of another person, group of people, neighborhood, or community. Common examples of behavior that lead to such charges includes:

- Refusing to disperse, loitering
- Causing public safety issues
- Making unreasonable noise
- Disturbing or preventing others from conducting business meetings
- Fighting or engaging in dangerous behavior
- Using offensive physical gestures or language that might invoke retaliation

Disorderly conduct is an extremely common offense, which is no surprise considering the all-encompassing nature of the "umbrella" laws defining the charge.

Arizona Disorderly Conduct Defense Lawyer

Without the guidance of an experienced criminal attorney, disorderly conduct charges can be difficult to defend against. On the other hand, the broad nature of the charge allows skilled criminal defense lawyers to devise an effective strategy involving reasonable doubt.

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