

# Overview of the William Van Regenmorter Crime Victim’s Rights Act (CVRA) Articles<sup>1</sup>

The following table illustrates the major differences among the William Van Regenmorter Crime Victim’s Rights Act (CVRA) articles.

CVRA	Offense	Offender	Court
<b>CVRA, Article 1 (Felony Article)</b> <a href="#">MCL 780.751–</a> <a href="#">MCL 780.775</a>	<b>Any felony</b>	Adult defendants charged with or convicted of felonies or juveniles at least 14 but less than 18 years old charged with a specified juvenile violation, where the prosecutor has filed a criminal complaint in District Court rather than a delinquency petition in the Family Division of Circuit Court (i.e., automatic waiver proceedings).	Criminal Division of Circuit Court (after arraignment and preliminary examination in District Court).
<b>CVRA, Article 2 (Juvenile Article)</b> <a href="#">MCL 780.781–</a> <a href="#">MCL 780.802</a>	<b>Any felony and certain misdemeanors</b>	Juveniles less than 18 years old alleged or found to be within the court’s jurisdiction under the Juvenile Code, <a href="#">MCL 712A.2(a)(1)</a> , including individuals involved in designated proceedings.	Family Division of Circuit Court.
<b>CVRA, Article 3 (Serious Misdemeanor Article)</b> <a href="#">MCL 780.811–</a> <a href="#">MCL 780.834</a>	<b>Serious misdemeanors</b>	Adult offenders charged with or convicted of serious misdemeanors.	District Court.

<sup>1</sup> See the Michigan Judicial Institute’s [Crime Victim Rights Benchbook](#) for more information on the crime victim’s rights in Michigan.

