

Under 18: Juvenile vs. Adult

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Delinquency Jurisdiction G.S. 7B-1501(7), -1604

Offense at ages
6 - 15

All crimes and
infractions,
indirect contempt

Offense at age
16 or 17

All crimes and
infractions **except**
those in Chapter 20
(motor vehicle),
indirect contempt

Never juvenile jurisdiction if “once an adult,
always an adult” applies

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Once an
Adult, Always
an Adult

G.S. 7B-1604(b)

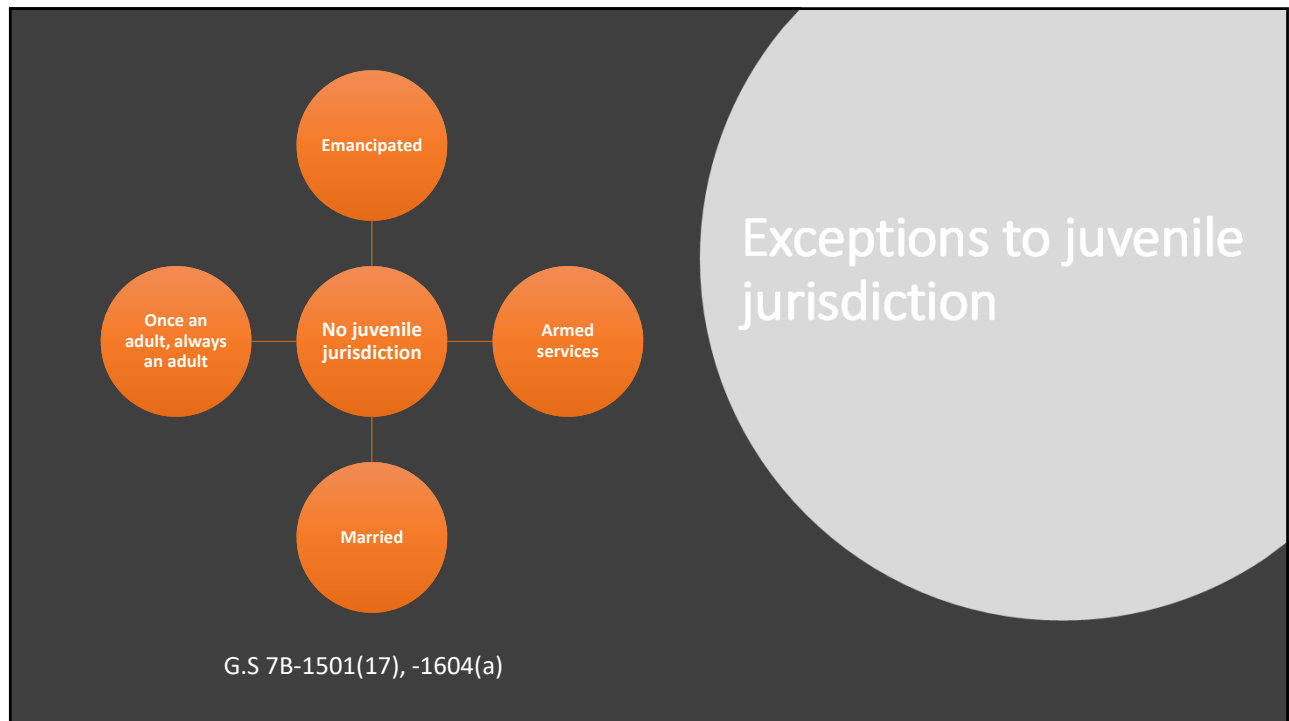
No
subsequent
juvenile
court
jurisdiction
for offense
committed
after
conviction
for ANY

Felony

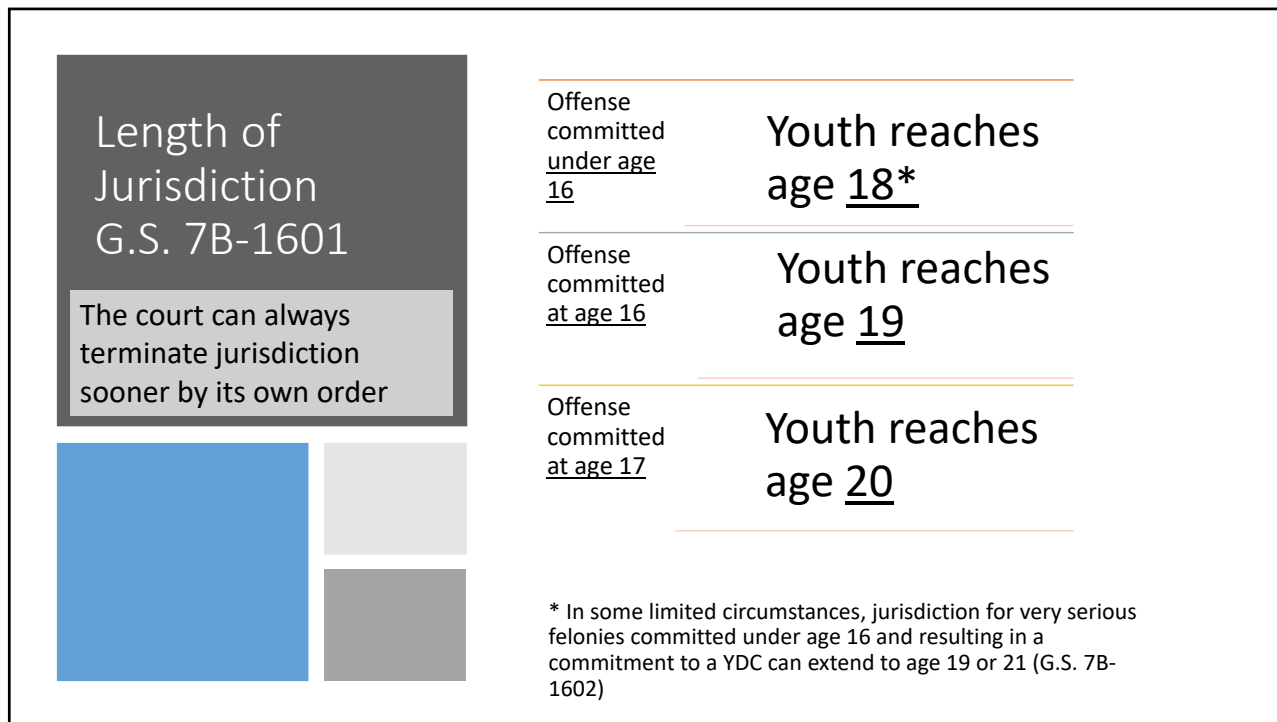
Non-chapter 20
misdemeanor

Impaired driving
offense

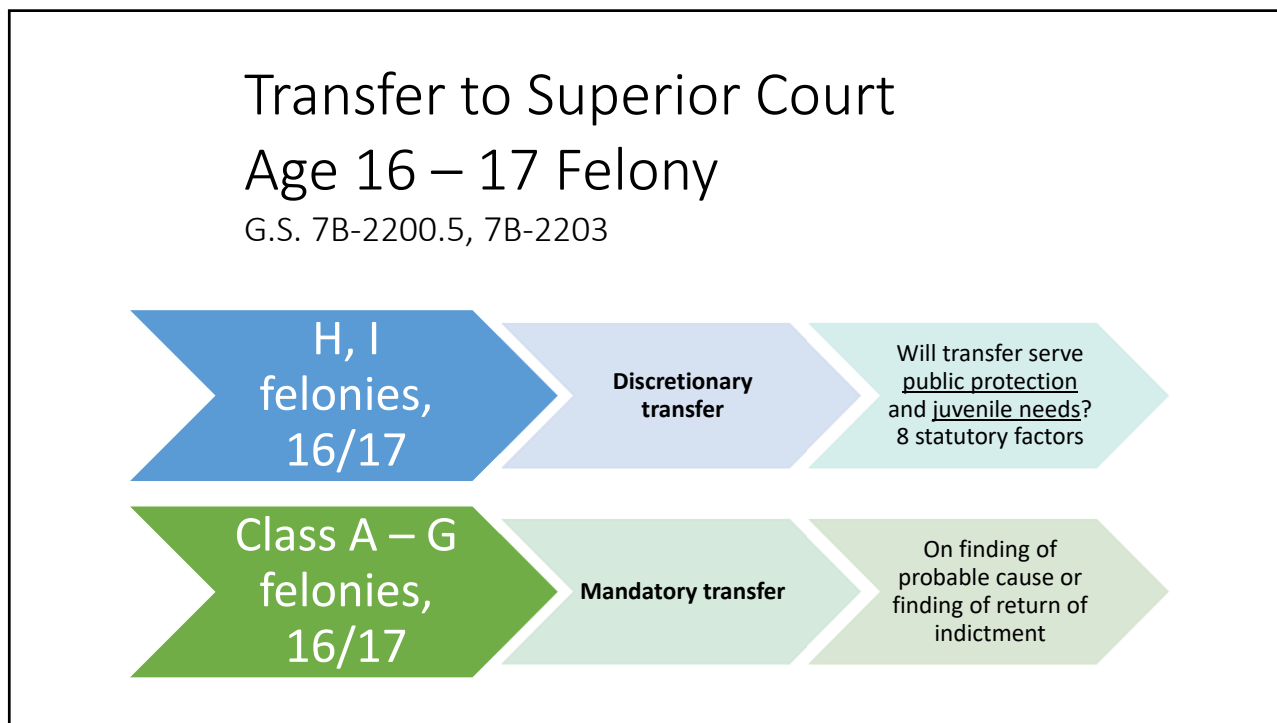
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All Related Charges Transfer Together

“When the case is transferred to superior court, the superior court has jurisdiction over that felony, any offense based on the same act or transaction or on a series of acts or transactions connected together or constituting parts of a single scheme or plan of that felony, and any greater or lesser included offense of that felony.”

G.S. 7B-2203(c)

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If Transfer Ordered



MUST SET BOND

G.S. 7B-2204



IMMEDIATE APPEAL TO
SUPERIOR COURT

G.S. 7B-2603



FINGERPRINTING
REQUIRED

G.S. 7B-2201

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Pre-trial Secure Confinement

