


Street Law: A Course in Practical Law (11th ed.)**YOU BE THE JUDGE****YOU** Be the Judge **Determining Juvenile Status**

Describe the factors you would consider in determining whether each person should be tried as a juvenile or as an adult. If you need additional information in order to make a recommendation, what information would you need?

- A.** Marshall, 15, is accused of robbing a woman at gunpoint. He has a long juvenile record, including acts of burglary, and has bragged about the robbery to friends.
- B.** Leigh, 17, is accused of killing a pedestrian while driving a stolen car. She has never been in trouble before, is remorseful about the killing, and claims that she planned to return the car after a short joyride.
- C.** Carter, 14, is accused of selling drugs for his older brother. According to the police, one day a customer stole the money Carter had collected. The police claim that Carter then stabbed the customer with a knife. He has been arrested twice before for selling drugs, but the charges were dropped.
- D.** Angela, 15, is taken into custody for carrying a handgun without a license. This is the second time she has been taken into custody for a weapons violation. Her brother was killed in a drug deal one year earlier. Angela says she carries a gun because she does not feel safe.
- E.** Matt, 13, shot his father and killed him after a series of family disputes over the past year.
- F.** Johnny, 13, and Sam, 14, pull a driver out of a car stopped at a red light and steal the car.