## STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

# **REQUEST TO SEAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION**

SEND TO: CHIEF, CRIMINAL RECORDS AND IDENTIFICATION BUREAU 5700 E. TUDOR ROAD Φ ANCHORAGE, AK 99507

**INSTRUCTIONS.** Read the entire application packet before filling it out. You must provide all required information and attachments. Use extra pages if necessary. Incomplete forms will be returned to you indicating what additional information is required. You may also attach other documents or evidence, beyond what is required in this application, that support your request.

**PART I** includes the Alaska statute (AS 12.62.180) and regulation (13 AAC 68.205) that address sealing of criminal justice information. The Commissioner of Public Safety cannot seal criminal records from other states or the federal government, only records that originated in this state.

**PART II** requires you to give information about yourself and the criminal charges/court case. The information you provide will be used to identify your records in the Alaska Public Safety Information Network (APSIN) and the records of police, prosecution, court, or other criminal justice agencies involved in your case.

**PART III** requires you to explain the circumstances of the charge/case. Your explanation must show that, beyond a reasonable doubt, that the criminal charge(s) resulted from **mistaken** identity or a false accusation.

**PART IV** requires documentation from criminal justice agencies involved with your case to verify your version of events. Depending upon the circumstances of your case, you must provide

1. evidence that the charge was dismissed or you were acquitted because the charge resulted from mistaken identity or false accusation,

OR

2. if you were convicted, evidence that the conviction has been overturned by a court or you have been pardoned by the Governor because the charge resulted from mistaken identity or false accusation.

**PART V** will be completed by the Records and Identification Bureau. The Bureau may contact you for additional information, including a request for a full set of fingerprints if necessary to process your request.

**PART VI** will be completed by the Commissioner of Public Safety. The application packet will be returned to you showing the Commissioner's decision.

#### PART I: ALASKA STATUTES/REGULATIONS.

AS 12.62.180. SEALING OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION. (a) Under this section, a criminal justice agency may seal only the information that the agency is responsible for maintaining.

(b) A person may submit a written request to the head of the agency responsible for maintaining past conviction or current offender information, asking the agency to seal such information about the person that, beyond a reasonable doubt, resulted from mistaken identity or false accusation. The decision of the head of the agency is the final administrative decision on the request.

(c) The person requesting that the information be sealed may appeal an adverse decision of the agency to the court under applicable rules of procedure for appealing the decision of an administrative agency. The appellant bears the burden on appeal of showing that the agency decision was clearly mistaken. An appeal filed under this subsection may not collaterally attack a court judgment or a decision by prison, probation, or parole authorities, or any other action that is or could have been subject to appeal, post-conviction relief, or other administrative remedy.

(d) A person about whom information is sealed under this section may deny the existence of the information and of an arrest, charge, conviction, or sentence shown in the information. Information that is sealed under this section may be provided to another person or agency only

- (1) for record management purposes, including auditing;
- (2) for criminal justice employment purposes;
- (3) for review by the subject of the record;
- (4) for research and statistical purposes;
- (5) when necessary to prevent imminent harm to a person; or
- (6) for a use authorized by statute or court order.

#### 13 AAC 68.205. SEALING CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION. When

information maintained by the repository is sealed under AS 12.62.180, the repository shall enter a notation in the record stating that the information has been sealed by order of the commissioner or by an identified court after appeal under AS 12.62.180(c), and the date of the order. (Eff. 1/10/97, Register 140) **PART II: PERSON AND CASE INFORMATION.** Please fill out ALL items; do not write in the  $\Box$  check boxes. If an item does not apply to you or your case, write "N/A". Use additional sheets if necessary. Incomplete/illegible forms will be returned with  $\boxtimes$  checked boxes indicating missing information required..

Full NAME (Last)	(First)	(Mid	dle) (Suffix)	
FORMER OR OTHER NAMES/ALIASES				
MAILING ADDRESS		PHONE NUMBER(S)		
		SOCIAL SECURIT	Y #	
DATE OF BIRTH	Birth		ALASKA DRIVER'S LICENSE # OR STATE ID #	
ARREST TRACKING NUMBER	DATE OF ARREST		DATE OF OFFENSE	
POLICE AGENCY CASE #	NAME OF ARRESTING AGENCY		NAME OF ARRESTING OFFICER	
PROSECUTION CASE #	NAME OF PROSECUTING AGENCY		NAME OF PROSECUTOR	
TRIAL COURT CASE #:		NAME OF TRIAL COURT		
Appellate Court Case #:		NAME OF APPELLATE COURT		
CHARGE(S): STATUTE/ORDINANCE # (E.G., "AS 11.46.120")		<b>NAME OF OFFENSE(S)</b> (E.G., "THEFT IN 1 <sup>ST</sup> DEGREE")		
DATE CHARGE DISMISSED		AGENCY THAT DISMISSED		
DATE ACQUITTED		DATE SENTENCED		
DATE CONVICTION REVERSED OR VACATED		DATE PARDONED		

**PART III. EXPLANATION OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY OR FALSE ACCUSATION**. Please explain the circumstances leading to the charge(s) you wish sealed. Your statement must show that, beyond a reasonable doubt, the charge(s) resulted from mistaken identity or false accusation. If the charges resulted from mistaken identity, provide the name and descriptive information about the person for whom you were mistaken, if known. If the charge(s) resulted from false accusation, include the name and descriptive information about the person who made the false accusation, if known. Use additional sheets if needed.

**PART IV. VERIFICATION/DOCUMENTATION.** You must obtain the required statement(s) and signature(s) and attach the required documents for **ALL of the circumstances**, **A-D**, that apply to your case. You may also attach any other reports, statements, or documents that support your request.

A. IF YOU WERE ARRESTED OR ISSUED A CITATION for arresting/citing officer (or the officer's superior) complete and sign		ed, you must have the
I am the officer who arrested or cited the applicant, or the arrest application. I AGREE I DO NOT AGREE that, beyond resulted from mistaken identity or false accusation. COMMENT	a reasonable doubt, the ch	
NAME/TITLE (PRINTED)	SIGNATURE	
AGENCY	PHONE NUMBER	DATE
B. IF THE CHARGE(S) WERE REFERRED TO A PROSECUTOR, superior) complete and sign this section.	you must have the prosecut	or (or the prosecutor's
I am the prosecutor to whom the charges in question were refer application. I AGREE I DO NOT AGREE that, beyond resulted from mistaken identity or false accusation. COMMENT	a reasonable doubt, the chars:	
NAME/TITLE (PRINTED)	SIGNATURE	
Agency	PHONE NUMBER	DATE

C. IF THE CHARGE(S) WERE DISMISSED OR YOU WERE ACQUITTED OR FOUND NOT GUILTY: You must attach a court order or judgment showing dismissal, acquittal, or a finding of not guilty.

D. IF YOU WERE CONVICTED OF THE CHARGE(S): You must attach <u>either</u> (1) a court judgment or order overturning the conviction <u>OR</u> (2) a Governor's Pardon.

### PART V. TO BE COMPLETED BY RECORDS AND ID BUREAU

Person demographic information is accurate and co Offense/Case information is accurate and complete Fingerprints on file for record subject Fingerprints on file for charge(s) in question State and national criminal history records attached Arresting/citing agency information verified, or Prosecution agency information verified, or Dismissal/Acquittal information verified, or Appellate reversal attached and verified & no furthe Governor's Pardon attached and verified, or I RECOMMEND THE REQUEST FOR SEALING BE	N/A N/A N/A N/A
Signature	Date

**THE REQUEST IS APPROVED.** I order that information maintained in the Alaska Public Safety Information Network (APSIN) concerning the charge(s) shown in this application be sealed.

THE REQUEST IS DENIED.

**COMMENTS:** 

Signature

Date

cc: Chief, Criminal Records and Identification Bureau Record Subject/Requester