



STATE OF NEW YORK
CERTIFICATE OF RELIEF FROM DISABILITIES

FOR DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION

Identifying No.

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This certificate is issued to the holder to grant relief from all or certain enumerated disabilities, forfeitures or bars to his employment automatically imposed by law by reason of his conviction of the crime or of the offense specified herein.

This certificate shall NOT be deemed nor construed to be a pardon.

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR EXPLANATION OF THE LAW GOVERNING THIS CERTIFICATE

The Original Certificate is to be presented to the person to whom awarded. One copy is to be retained by the issuing agency, and one copy is to be filed with the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services, 4 Tower Place, Albany, NY 12203-3702.

1. For use by DCJS	HOLDER OF CERTIFICATE		3. NYSID Number (If not known, supply fingerprints to DCJS. If fingerprints are unobtainable, complete items 15-18 below)
	2. Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial		

4. Crime or offense for which convicted	5. Date of Arrest	6. Date of Sentence
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7. Court of disposition (Court, Part, Term, Venue)	8. Certificate issued by New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision
	10. If this Certificate replaces previously issued Certificate, give date of previous Certificate of Relief from Disabilities

9. Date this certificate issued	Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
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11. CHECK ONE BOX ONLY
This certificate shall:

a Relieve the holder of all forfeitures, and of all disabilities and bars to employment, excluding the right to retain or to be eligible for public office, by virtue of the fact that this certificate is issued at the time of sentence. The Date of Sentence in this case must agree with the Date Certificate Issued.

b Relieve the holder of all disabilities and bars to employment, excluding the right to be eligible for public office.

c Relieve the holder of the forfeitures, disabilities or bars hereinafter enumerated - removes all legal bars and disabilities to employment, license and privilege except those pertaining to firearms under Section 265.01(4) and 400.00 of the Penal Law and except the right to be eligible for public office.

12. This certificate shall be considered permanent.

This certificate shall be considered temporary until discharged from community supervision. Date of discharge: _____ . After this date, unless revoked earlier by the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, this certificate shall be considered permanent. A person who knowingly uses or attempts to use a revoked certificate in order to obtain or exercise any right or privilege that (s)he would not be entitled to obtain or to exercise without valid certificate shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

13. Signature of issuing official	Print or type name	14. Title SUPERINTENDENT
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COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FOR DCJS ONLY IF FINGERPRINTS ARE NOT OBTAINABLE

15. Sex	16. Race	17. Height	18. Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year)
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LAWS GOVERNING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF RELIEF FROM DISABILITIES

(The laws governing the issuance of certificates of relief from disabilities are set forth in Article 23 of the New York State Correction Law. The excerpts below summarize certain portions of those laws and are set forth merely for convenience. They are not intended as administrative interpretations and they do not relieve any party of full knowledge of and compliance with the applicable provisions of law.)

This certificate is issued to relieve the holder, an "eligible offender" as defined in §700 of the Correction Law, of all or enumerated forfeitures, disabilities, or bars to employment automatically imposed by law by reason of his conviction of the crime or offense specified on the face of this certificate.

This certificate shall be considered a "temporary certificate" where (1) issued by a court to a holder who is under a "revocable sentence" as defined in §700 of the Correction Law and the court's authority to revoke such sentence has not expired, or (2) issued by the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision and the holder is still under the supervision of the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision. Where the holder is under a revocable sentence, this certificate may be revoked by the court for violation of the conditions of such sentence and shall be revoked by the court if it revokes the sentence and commits the holder to an institution under the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision. Where the holder is subject to the supervision of the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, this certificate may be revoked by the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision for violation of the conditions of community supervision or release. Any such revocation shall be upon notice and after an opportunity to be heard. If this certificate is not so revoked, it shall become a permanent certificate upon expiration or termination of the court's authority to revoke the sentence or upon termination of the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision over the holder.

RIGHTS OF RELIEF FROM DISABILITIES

- A. Where the certificate is issued by a court at the time sentence is pronounced, it covers forfeitures as well as disabilities. In any other case the certificate applies only to disabilities.
- B. A conviction of the crime or the offense specified on the face of this certificate shall NOT cause automatic forfeiture of any license, permit, employment or franchise, including the right to register for or vote at an election, or automatic forfeiture of any other right or privilege, held by the eligible offender and covered by the certificate. Nor shall such conviction be deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of any provision by law that imposes, by reason of a conviction, a bar to any employment, a disability to exercise any right or a disability to apply for or to receive any license, permit or other authority or privilege covered by the certificate. Provided, however, that no such certificate shall apply, or be construed so as to apply, to the right of such person to retain or to be eligible for public office.
- C. A conviction of the crime or the offense specified on the face of this certificate shall NOT prevent any judicial, administrative, licensing or other body, board or authority from relying upon the conviction specified on the reverse side of this certificate as the basis for the exercise of its discretionary power to suspend, revoke, refuse to issue or renew any license, permit or other authority or privilege.