

**South Carolina Department of Social Services
 CONSENT TO RELEASE INFORMATION**

With my signature below, I consent for the South Carolina Department of Social Services to conduct a one-time search of the records indicated below to determine whether they contain information that I was the perpetrator of harm to a child and to release information found to the individual/organization named below.

I understand that the information provided may prove to be unfavorable to me. I agree to hold the South Carolina Department of Social Services and its staff harmless from liability associated with release of information requested on this form. If it appears to me that the information has not been updated or is otherwise inaccurate, I agree to notify the Department immediately.

SECTION I. Purpose for Request

A. I am requesting a search of the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect and the Department's database of records of Child Abuse and Neglect cases in connection with:

- becoming or remaining a foster parent or potential adoptive parent; or
- becoming or remaining an employee of or a member of the state or a local foster care review board; or
- becoming an employee or volunteer for the South Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program or Richland County CASA.

B. I am requesting a search ONLY of the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect for a purpose of _____.

SECTION II. Mail Results To:

 _____ ATTN: _____
 _____ TEL. NO: _____

SECTION III. Central Registry Check Fees: Please appropriate box and include payment. Check or Money Order (NO CASH).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit Entities.....\$8.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Name Changes.....\$8.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For-Profit Entities..... \$25.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Individuals, etc.).....\$8.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Agencies.....\$8.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Adoption Investigations.....\$25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Schools.....\$8.00 | |

SECTION IV. Please print legibly or type the following: First, Middle and Last Name (NO INITIALS)

Name: _____ DOB: _____ Sex: _____ Race: _____
 Maiden/Aliases: _____ Name Change: _____
 Place of Birth: _____ SSN: (See instructions) _____
 Current Address: _____ Previous Address: (See instructions) _____

SECTION V. Your signature MUST be witnessed or notarized. Please mail appropriate payment and form for processing to: South Carolina Dept. of Social Services, ATTN: Cashier, 1535 Confederate Avenue, P.O. Box 1520, Columbia, SC 29202-1520.

_____ Signature of Applicant	_____ Date
_____ Signature of Notary or Witness	_____ Date

SECTION VI. RESULTS: THIS SECTION IS TO BE COMPLETED ONLY BY AUTHORIZED DSS EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT.

- The name is not included as a perpetrator on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect.
- The request has been received. Additional research will be required to respond to the request. Thirty to sixty days may be required. Please call _____ if you have any questions.
- The name is included as a perpetrator on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect.
- The name is included as a perpetrator in the Department's database of records of child abuse and neglect cases. See attached correspondence.

 Authorized DSS Employee Date