

TO: _____ County Clerk

FROM:

Office name:

Office address:

Office Phone:

Direct Phone:

Email Address:

**SUBJECT: Proof of Discharge from
Parole/Probation, Satisfaction of Terms of
Imprisonment, and Payment of Financial
Obligations**

Offender's Name:

Date of Birth:

Case #/Offender #:

☐ **The person named above has been
discharged from probation or parole, has
satisfied all terms of imprisonment; and/or
paid all financial obligations relating to the
offense imposed on them by the State of
Arkansas.**

Name

Signature

Date

When this memorandum is signed by the applicable court official, parole or probation officer, the prior offender may use this to request restoration of voting privileges pursuant to the Arkansas Constitution Amendment 51, Section 11.

**Arkansans have a Constitutional
right to have their voting rights
restored after completing a
felony sentence.**

USEFUL CONTACTS

Arkansas Department of Corrections,
Central Records

6814 Princeton Pike,
Pine Bluff, AR 71602

Telephone: 1-501-320-1725

DOC Main: 1-870-267-6999

DOC email:
DOC.Penpacks@doc.arkansas.gov

Find contact information for your County
Clerk by scanning the QR code below:



ACLU
Arkansas

For help or more information:

866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683)

www.acluarkansas.org/know-your-rights

www.acluarkansas.org/get-help

VOTING AFTER A CRIMINAL CONVICTION

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What if I've been charged with a crime?

»Your right to vote is only affected if you have been convicted of a felony. Charges alone do not affect your right to vote.

What if I've been convicted of a crime?

»You retain the right to vote if you have been convicted of a misdemeanor. If you are in jail, you will have to vote by absentee ballot.

» If you were convicted of a felony in Arkansas, you can vote if you're not currently incarcerated or on probation or parole and you have paid all fines.

»While your right to vote is not permanently taken away for a felony conviction, you will need to restore your right after the completion of your sentence, including parole/probation and the payment of all supervision fees, court costs, fines, or restitution.

How do I restore my right to vote if I was convicted of a felony?

»Before you can register to vote, you must restore your right to vote.

To restore your right to vote you must take proof of completion of your sentence to your local county clerk. This includes proof that you have paid all required fees, fines and costs.

What if I can not get proof to restore my right to vote?

»If you were released without parole and do not have proof of your discharge, submit a request to the Arkansas Department of Corrections at their Centralized Records Department through email: DOC.Penpacks@doc.arkansas.gov and follow up by phone at 1-501-320-1725 if necessary.

» If you were released through probation for parole, you should contact the records units for the individual probation or parole offices for proof of supervision release and all payments.

» Proof of restitution payments can be obtained by the entity collecting restitution payments, if any. The circuit clerk can provide you proof of discharge of any fines and costs.

» **It is best to collect these records at the time your sentence is completed or as soon as possible thereafter and retain copies of these records**

as they may be increasingly difficult to obtain as time goes by.

What if I encounter barriers to exercising my right to vote or restoring my right to vote?

»Please contact the ACLU of Arkansas at: www.acluarkansas.org/get-help. Or call the national voting rights hotline at: 1-866-OUR-VOTE (1-866-687-8683)

Arkansas Constitution Amendment 51, Section 11 states:

» Any convicted felon who desires to register to vote should provide the county clerk with proof of discharge from probation or parole, and payment of all probation or parole fees, applicable court costs, fines, and restitution.

Arkansas Department of Corrections should provide proof your sentence/supervision has been satisfied upon release from supervision.

You may (but don't have to) use the form on the following page to request state or local officials provide proof that your sentence is complete and all financial obligations are satisfied.