



State of Connecticut
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE'S ATTORNEY
CONVICTION INTEGRITY UNIT

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CONVICTION INTEGRITY UNIT STANDARD FOR REVIEW

CIU will only accept cases for review where the following apply:

- The applicant must have been convicted in a Superior Court in the State of Connecticut by trial or guilty plea. Please note, guilty pleas will be reviewed but will be reviewed more strictly.
- The applicant must be alive.
- The applicant must present plausible and verifiable evidence that, if true, would reasonably support a claim of:
 - (1) actual innocence or
 - (2) cause a reasonable person to lose confidence in the conviction due to issues of official misconduct, discredited forensic or eyewitness evidence, the misapplication of forensic science, or due process violations. If the application presents evidence that was available but not presented at a previous trial (including habeas trials), CIU may request the convicted person provide reasons why the evidence was not presented previously.
 - (3) These claims must be capable of being investigated and reviewed.
- The claim must be to the applicant's conviction. The claim must not be a challenge to the applicant's sentence.
- Claims that have been previously decided by a court may not be considered or, if considered, will be reviewed more strictly.
- CIU will not review the following:
 - Claims pertaining to the applicant's sentence.
 - Claims challenging the performance of the applicant's attorney at prior proceedings (criminal trial, appellate or habeas court). Such claims are more properly litigated in the habeas court.



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APPLICATION SEEKING CONVICTION REVIEW

Please provide the required information and complete this form in its entirety to petition our office for review of your conviction. This form may be mailed to:

Conviction Integrity Unit
Office of the Chief State's Attorney
300 Corporate Place
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
DCJ.CIU@ct.gov

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND CONSENT

Initial each statement below to indicate your understanding and agreement.

_____ CIU does not represent the applicant.

_____ Communication with CIU is not protected by attorney-client privilege, and CIU will not provide legal advice.

_____ CIU's review is not a legal proceeding and does not change the deadlines that should be followed for other potential legal proceedings, such as an appeal, habeas corpus petition or any other post-conviction relief.

_____ The applicant has no right to CIU review and no right to appeal CIU's decision.

_____ The applicant has no right to review by the Conviction Review Panel and no right to appeal the Conviction Review Panel's decision.

_____ The applicant is providing information to a prosecutor's office and any statements provided are voluntary. Any information provided may be used by CIU or the Division of Criminal Justice.

_____ CIU reviews cases based on its own protocols.

_____ CIU's acknowledgement of an application does not mean it has been accepted for a full review.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ DOC #: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Primary language: ____ English ____ Spanish ____ Other: _____

The applicant is: ____ incarcerated ____ not incarcerated ____ on probation ____ on parole

If represented by an attorney, please provide the following:

Attorney's name and contact information: _____

GENERAL CASE INFORMATION

Please limit answers to information about the case for which review is requested.

Docket Number(s): _____

Jurisdiction: _____

Arresting Agency: _____

Date of offense(s): ____/____/____

Date of conviction: ____/____/____

Date of sentence: ____/____/____

Offense(s) of conviction: _____

Disposition: ____ Trial By Jury ____ Bench/Judge Trial ____ Guilty Plea ____ Alford Plea
____ Nolo Contendere

Trial Counsel: _____

Appeal filed: ____ Yes ____ No / ____ Resolved ____ Pending

Habeas filed: ____ Yes ____ No / ____ Resolved ____ Pending

Application for Commutation of sentence filed: ____ Yes ____ No / Result: _____

Application for Sentence Modification filed: ____ Yes ____ No / Result: _____

Please list any other pending litigation: _____

INVESTIGATION INFORMATION

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

Applicant provided statement to police: Yes No

Verbal Recorded Written

Applicant testified at court proceeding: Yes No

If so, what proceeding: _____

Applicant confessed to or admitted involvement in the crime (to the police, in court or to any other person):

Yes No

CO-DEFENDANT INFORMATION

Co-defendant(s) Yes No

Name(s): _____

Disposition of co-defendant(s) case: _____

WITNESS INFORMATION

Witnesses to the crime who support the applicant's claim: _____

Witnesses' contact information: _____

APPLICANT'S CLAIMS FOR CIU CONSIDERATION

_____ **ACTUAL INNOCENCE** Actual Innocence means that the applicant did not commit or participate in the offense. Please explain in detail the applicant's claim of actual innocence:

_____ **NEW EVIDENCE** New evidence is evidence that was not known or presented at the time of the conviction or during any subsequent litigation. Such evidence is not limited to DNA or forensic scientific evidence. Please identify the new evidence and how it was discovered:

Is the evidence presently available? ____ Yes ____ No ____ Unsure

_____ **FALSE CONFESSION** The applicant falsely confessed to the crime, please explain:

_____ **RECATANTION OF TESTIMONY** A witness who provided information or testified has now recanted. Please explain in detail:

_____ **ALIBI INFORMATION** An alibi is a claim that the applicant was elsewhere when the crime occurred. Please provide the specific details supporting this claim:

Was the alibi presented at trial? ____ Yes ____ No
If not, why not? _____

_____ **FORENSIC TESTING** A challenge to the evidentiary material collected and/or tested.

Have you filed a post-conviction motion for forensic testing? ____ Yes ____ No

What was the outcome of your motion? ____ Denied ____ Granted ____ Pending

List any collected evidence that has or has not been tested and how this affects the case:

The applicant has become aware of a new advancement in a scientific field of study that could affect the case. Please explain:

_____ **EXPERT TESTIMONY** The applicant claims that the evidence presented was inaccurate or inappropriate. Please explain:

_____ **LAW ENFORCEMENT MISCONDUCT** The applicant claims that a law enforcement agent associated with the case engaged in misconduct and/or violated the applicant's civil rights. Please explain:

_____ **LAW ENFORCEMENT CREDIBILITY** The officer involved in the arrest and/or that testified at trial who arrested me or presented was arrested or has a sustained finding of dishonesty or bias.

Name of Officer: _____

_____ **BRADY/GIGLIO INFORMATION AND/OR WITHHELD EVIDENCE** *Brady* information is exculpatory, mitigating or impeachment evidence that was not provided to the defense. *Giglio* information is evidence that can be used to impeach the credibility of prosecution witnesses. The applicant claims the prosecution or law enforcement withheld certain evidence. Please describe in detail the evidence or information that you believe was not provided:

_____ **MISTAKEN/DISCREDITED IDENTIFICATION** The applicant claims that the identification was incorrect and/or the witness was not credible. Please explain:

_____ **UNDISCLOSED WITNESS CONSIDERATIONS** The applicant claims that a witness was given consideration such as a plea agreement, case dismissal, assistance with probation violation, financial assistance or other benefit that was not disclosed. Please explain:

_____ **WITNESS CREDIBILITY ISSUES** The applicant claims that there are reasons to believe a witness was not credible. Please explain:

_____ **ADDITIONAL CLAIMS** Additional claims not listed. Please explain:

THE APPLICANT ATTESTS THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT PROVIDING FALSE INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN A REJECTION OF THE APPLICATION.

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant

Date: _____/_____/_____

On behalf of the Applicant:

Printed Name

Signature

Contact Information:

Date: _____/_____/_____