



GLOUCESTER COUNTY
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF THE
Virginia Department of Social Services
Central Registry Release of Information Form

Purpose

The Virginia Child Abuse and Neglect Central Registry is mandated by the Virginia Child Protective Law and contains the name of individuals identified as an abuser or neglector in founded child abuse and and/or neglect investigations conducted in the state of Virginia. The findings are made by Child Protective Services staff in local departments of social services and are maintained by the Virginia Department of Social Services. Legal mandates for the Virginia Department of Social Services to provide a Central Registry and a mechanism for conducting searches of the registry are found in § 63.2-1515 of the Code Virginia.

Read all instructions before completing the form: (Incomplete forms will be returned)

1. Answer all questions completely and accurately by printing clearly in black ink or typing your answers. Failure to complete or print clearly may delay or deny your request. Given the nature of the form and the actions to be taken when received, the **Office of Background Investigations shall not accept forms that have been altered in any fashion. Forms that contain strike outs, correction tape or white-out will be returned.**
2. If a middle name is an initial, indicate "initial only" otherwise, enter a full middle name given at birth.
3. For "other names used" list all previous names; nick names, all previous married names, legal name changes, changes due to adoption, etc. Circle appropriate title description on the form.
4. If the answer to any question is none, write "N/A".
5. Sign the Central Release of Information Form in the presence of an official Notary Public. Each request form must be notarized. Only original signatures will be accepted. No copies of the form will be accepted.
6. If additional space is needed to complete the form (i.e. providing information on addresses, spouses, and children) attach an 8x11 sheet of paper along with your completed form.
7. Return your completed form and additional sheets (if used) to your contact in the department you wish to volunteer with.
8. Search results are not transferable and are not considered official beyond the requesting agency or individual.

A fillable **VA Department of Social Services Central Registry Release of Information Form** is located on pages 2 and 3 of this document.

PART II: CERTIFICATION AND CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I hereby certify that the information contained on this form is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. Pursuant to Section 2.2-3806 of the *Code of Virginia*, I authorize the release of personal information regarding me which has been maintained by either the Virginia Department of Social Services or any local department of social services which is related to any disposition of founded child abuse/neglect in which I am identified as responsible for such abuse/neglect. I have provided proof of my identity to the Notary Public prior to signing this in his/her presence.

Signature of person whose name is being searched
(Sign in presence of Notary)

Parent or Guardian signature required for minor
children under the age of 18

PART III: CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL

City/County of _____
Commonwealth/State of _____
Acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, year _____

Notary Public Signature **Notary Number**
My Commission Expires: _____

Notary Seal

PART IV: CENTRAL REGISTRY FINDINGS – COMPLETED BY CENTRAL REGISTRY STAFF ONLY

1. We are unable to determine at this time if the individual for whom a search has been requested is listed in the Central Registry. Please answer the following questions and return to the Central Registry Unit in order for us to make a determination:

Worker: _____ Date: _____

2. ____ Based on information provided by the Local Department of Social Services, we have determined that _____ is listed in the Child Abuse/Neglect Central Registry with a founded disposition of child abuse/neglect. For more detailed information, contact the

_____ Dept. of Social Services in reference to referral _____ phone# _____

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3. ____ As of this date, based on the information provided, the individual whose name was being searched is **NOT** identified in the Central Registry of Child Abuse/Neglect.

Signature of worker completing search: _____ Date: _____

OBI Staff Only