GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION GEORGIA CRIME INFORMATION CENTER AGENCY INSTRUCTIONS FOR REQUEST TO RESTRICT (EXPUNGE) ARREST RECORD For Arrests Prior to 07/01/2013

- 1. O.C.G.A. §35-3-37 provides for the restriction of certain criminal history records for non-criminal justice purposes when approved by the prosecuting attorney.
 - For arrests prior to July 1, 2013 the applicant is required to apply for restriction at the arresting agency. Arresting agencies may require a processing fee not to exceed \$50.00 as authorized per §35-3-37.
 - The REQUEST TO RESTRICT ARREST RECORD is a three section (page) form.
 - **Section One** is completed by the applicant. Each request form may contain only one (1) Date of Arrest (there may be multiple charges for that arrest).
 - **Section Two** is completed by the arresting agency. The entire form is forwarded to the prosecutor for approval/denial.
 - Section Three is completed by the prosecutor. If approved, the prosecutor may enter the appropriate disposition restriction code using the GCIC CCH User Interface and notify the applicant that the restriction is complete. The arresting agency will receive a notification from GCIC that the record has been restricted. If the prosecutor enters the restriction in the CCH User Interface the application and fee should not be forwarded to GCIC.
 - If the prosecutor does not have access to the CCH User Interface, the application may be returned to the arresting agency.
 - The arresting agency should advise the applicant to forward the *approved* application to GCIC including the GCIC processing fee. Incomplete applications or those missing the required fee will not be processed and will be returned to the applicant. Do not forward the restriction application to GCIC if the request is denied by the prosecutor.
 - Applicants may send the approved Request to Restrict Arrest Record form and \$25.00 fee (money order or certified check payable to "Georgia Bureau of Investigation") to:

Georgia Crime Information Center Record Restrictions P.O. Box 370808 Decatur, Georgia 30037-0808

- GCIC will send an email notification to the applicant email address listed on Page 1 of the application when the restriction has been applied to the Georgia criminal history. GCIC does not mail notifications or provide copies of an approved Request to Restrict Arrest Record application.
- To check the status of a request, contact the GCIC CCH/Identification Services Helpdesk at (404) 244-2639, Option 1 or email gacriminalhistory@gbi.ga.gov
- 2. For arrests occurring July 1, 2013 or later, there is no application process. The prosecutor may approve the restriction at the time of sentencing. If restriction is approved upon sentence completion, it should be noted in the sentencing documentation forwarded to the court.
- 3. When the restriction has been applied to the Georgia criminal history, access to that specific arrest cycle is restricted for non-criminal justice purposes (Employment/Licensing). However, such information may be available through other sources. GCIC has no control over information provided by local agencies or private vendors.

REQUEST TO RESTRICT ARREST RECORD Prior to 07/01/2013

O.C.G.A. §35-3-37

One (1) Date of Arrest per Request

		GBI Use Only
SECTION ONE - APPLICANT (Completed by Applicant)	Money Order Certified Check GBI Reference #	
Name:		
Date of Birth:		
Social Security Number:		
Telephone Number:	En	nail:
Street Address:		
City:		Zip Code:
Arresting Agency:		
Date of Arrest:		
Offense(s) Arrested For:		

Sections One and Two of this form must be completed in their entirety before request may be submitted to the Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

I request the arrest record information (Date of Arrest and associated charges) described above pertaining to me be restricted from the record(s) of the arresting agency pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. 35-3-37.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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<u>SECTION TWO - ARREST INFORMATION</u> (Completed by Arresting Agency)

Date Request Received:			
Applicant's State Identification Number (SID): GA			
Offender Tracking Number (OTN):			
Arresting Agency Name:			
Arresting Agency ORI Number:			
Case / Citation / Docket Number:			
Date of Arrest:			
Arrest appears on Georgia and/or FBI criminal history record?			
<i>If arrest does not appear on either state or federal record, the record restriction cannot be processed.</i>			
Arrest Charge Tracking Number(s) and Charges:			
Disposition of Arrest:			
Disposition appears on Georgia criminal history record? Yes No			
is not available, please provide explanation and request for exception in Prosecutor's Comments, e.g., No Further Action Anticipated. (Without a disposition on file, official documentation, or request for exception, this request cannot be processed.)			
Prosecuting Attorney/Court Case Referred To:			
Official Completing Form:			
Title:			
Name: Telephone Number:			
Signature: Email:			

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SECTION THREE – PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Completed by Prosecuting Attorney)

Date Request Received:	
Judicial Circuit / County:	
Prosecuting Agency ORI Number:	GA
District Attorney / Solicitor General:	
Prosecutor Assigned to Case:	
Case / Citation / Docket Number:	

Please select one of the following actions:

 Approved - Record Restriction Meets Statutory Requirements
 No Information Available; Record Restriction Forwarded Without Objection
 Approved - No Further Action Anticipated
 No Information Available at Prosecutor's Office; Returned to Arresting Agency for Further Research. DO NOT FORWARD RESTRICTION FORM TO GCIC.
 Denied - Restriction Does Not Meet Statutory Requirements DO NOT FORWARD RESTRICTION FORM TO GCIC.

If additional Charges from same Arrest Date, other than those identified on Page 2, are also approved for record restriction, list the Arrest Charge Tracking Number(s) and Charges in Prosecutor Comments.

Prosecutor Comments:

Prosecutor Completing Form:	
Name:	Telephone Number:
Signature:	Email:

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