Penal Code § 290 Registration Relief SB384



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What is PC 290 registration relief?

Effective **July 1, 2021**, eligible sex registrants with adult convictions for specified sex crimes may be eligible to file a petition in Superior Court, per PC 290.5, for registration relief.

When can I file a petition?

An eligible registrant may file this petition on or after their birthday following the 10th or 20th year of registration, depending on their tier designation.

What are the tiers?

Registrants will be placed into one of three tiers, based on the conviction for which they were ordered to register.

- Registrants placed in **Tier 1** may be eligible to petition for registration relief if they have met the 10 year mandatory minimum registration requirement.
- Registrants placed in **Tier 2** may be eligible to petition for registration relief if they have met the 20 years minimum registration requirement.
- Registrants placed in **Tier 3** must register for life but some may be eligible to petition after 20 years mininum registration.

How do I find my tier?

A Tier Notification Letter can be provided by the law enforcement agency **where you register**. We suggest registrants consult a lawyer about their tier designation.

How do I file a petition for PC 290 relief?

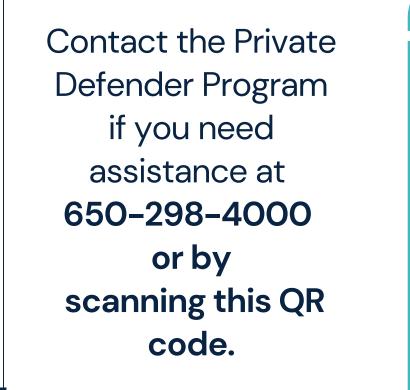
A registrant may file a petition in the California Superior Court of **the county where they currently register**. A registrant may file a petition independently but we suggest they seek a lawyer's assistance.

Who can I contact for legal asistance?

The Private Defender Program provides legal assistance or you may hire an attorney independently. Learn more about the Private Defender Program services at www.pdpsmcba.org or request assistance by emailing us at: **recordclearance@smcba.org**.

To petition for relief, you must:

- Continue to register!
- Retain proof of your current registration.
- Request a Tier Notification Letter from the law enforcement agency where you register .





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