## Penal Code § 290 **Registration Relief SB384**



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### What is Penal Code (PC) 290 (sex offender registry) registration relief?

Starting July 1, 2021, juvenile adjudications are no longer subject to lifetime registration. Persons currently subject to lifetime registration may file a petition for relief.

#### How do I know if I am eligible to file the petition for registration relief?

Registrants will be placed into one of two tiers, based on the adjudication for which a person was ordered to register. We suggest that you contact the Private Defender's Office or another lawyer to assist you in determining your eligibility.

#### How do I find my tier?

A Tier Notification Letter can be provided by the law enforcement agency where you register. We recommend you consult the Private Defender Program's office or another lawyer, about your tier designation.

#### When do I file the petition for registration relief?

A person may file this petition on or after their birthday, following their 5th or 10th year of registration, depending on the crime.

Where do I file the petition for registration relief? You will need to file a petition in the juvenile court located in the county where you are currently registered. You can file a petition without a lawyer, but we suggest that you contact the Private Defender's Office or another lawyer to assist you.

**Tier 1: 5 Years Minimum Registration** 

**Tier 2: 10 Years Minimum Registration** 

#### To petition for removal, you must:

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

# **Contact the Private Defender Program if** you need assistance: 650-312-5396.

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