

Office of the District Attorney

City and County of Philadelphia



CONVICTION REVIEW UNIT SUBMISSION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS/FACILITY: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ INMATE NUMBER: _____ PP#: _____

TODAY'S DATE: _____ CASE NUMBER: CP-51-CR- _____ - _____

In order for the Conviction Review Unit (CRU) to open an investigation into a claim of actual innocence, the following prerequisites must be met:

1. The conviction must have been in the Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas (First Judicial District).
2. The petitioner must be a living person.
3. There must be a claim of actual innocence (i.e. not a legal issue).
4. Credible evidence of innocence must exist.
5. The claim must not be frivolous.

The CRU does not review non-innocence related claims such as those concerning procedural errors at trial and other legal issues. Such non-innocence claims will be screened and summarily declined by the CRU. Please complete this questionnaire and return to the CRU. You may use additional paper if necessary.

**IF YOU ARE REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL, THIS FORM MUST BE
SUBMITTED BY YOUR ATTORNEY.**

WE DO NOT ACCEPT SUBMISSIONS FROM FRIENDS OR FAMILY MEMBERS.

Return to: Conviction Review Unit | District Attorney's Office
Three South Penn Square | Philadelphia, PA 19107

1. What is the crime for which you are claiming innocence?

2. Explain why you are innocent in as much detail as possible.

3. What new evidence supports your claim of innocence?

4. Have you contacted any innocence organizations in regards to your claim? If so, which?

*****Attach any new documents that support your claim of innocence*****

(INITIAL EACH LINE AFTER READING)

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| 1. I certify that all of the above statements are true and accurate. | 1. _____ |
| 2. I acknowledge that providing false information will result in a dismissal of my claim. | 2. _____ |
| 3. I understand this is an extrajudicial process and there is no right of appeal from rejection by the CRU. | 3. _____ |
| 4. I understand that the CRU is not my attorney and statements made above may be used against me in future criminal proceedings. | 4. _____ |

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

DISCLAIMER: The Philadelphia District Attorney’s Office Conviction Review Unit (including individuals from other units in the Office assisting in CRU investigations) reviews cases for the sole purpose of investigating claims of actual innocence. The decision to review and further investigate a claim cannot be inferred as an acceptance of the validity of the alleged innocence claim. The CRU does not act as legal counsel to any person whose case is being investigated.