PRO BONO 👯 TRAINING INSTITUTE How to File a California Expungement Petition

Expungements and Prop 47 Clinic Training Training Module 2

Learning Objectives

- 1. Identify the 7 required pieces of information for filing an expungement petition and the 2 methods for acquiring this information.
- Identify necessary information for an expungement petition by reading a California Department of Justice "RAP Sheet" and Case File "docket"
- 3. Fill out an expungement petition after acquiring the necessary information.

Agenda

- 1.Information Required for an Expungement Petition
- 2. How to read a DOJ RAP Sheet
- 3. How to read a Case File "docket"
- 4. How to fill out an expungement petition

1. Required Information for Expungement Petition

If the client is eligible for expungement, then s/he will need the following information for the petition:

- 1. Court of Conviction
- 2. Name of Defendant
- 3. Case Number
- 4. Date of Conviction
- Section Number and Code Violation (e.g. 647(b) of the Penal Code)
- 6. Sentence for Conviction
- 7. If Sentenced to Probation, Whether All Terms and Terms and Conditions Were Met If Client got probation, then whether s/he complied with all the terms and conditions of probation, whether s/he was formally in violation of her or his probation.

Where to Find the Information

You can get this information from either:

- CA Dep't of Justice RAP Sheet: The RAP sheet provides necessary information of all convictions statewide.
- 2. Case File (aka "docket"): The docket only provides information on a specific conviction.

Best Practice:

- If your client does not remember all conviction or has convictions in multiple counties, then use the CA RAP Sheet.
- If your client remembers all convictions, and all of them are in your local county, then use the docket.

Note: We will focus on reading a CA RAP Sheet because it provides state-wide information

2. How to Read a DOJ "RAP Sheet"

Cover Letter & Rap Sheet

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RE: California Criminal History Information

Dear Applicant:

This is in response to your record review request concerning the existence of a California criminal history record maintained in the files of the Department of Justice's Bureau of Criminal Information and Analysis. Your fingerprints did identify to an existing California criminal history record and a copy of that record is enclosed. If you wish to challenge the accuracy or completeness of your record, please complete and return the enclosed form (BCIA 8706) and supporting documentation to the address noted above.

Pursuant to California Penal Code section 11121, the purpose of a record review request is to afford an individual with a copy of their record and to refute any erroneous or inaccurate information contained therein. The intent is not to be used for licensing, certification or employment purposes.

Additionally, California Penal Code sections 11125, 11142, and 11143 does not allow for a person or agency to make a request to another person to provide them with a copy of an individual's criminal history or notification that a record does not exist, does not allow an authorized person to furnish the record to an unauthorized person; nor does it allow an unauthorized person to buy, receive or possess the record or information. A violation of these section codes is a misdemeanor.

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Record Review Unit

Applicant Information and Certification Program
Bureau of Criminal Information and Analysis

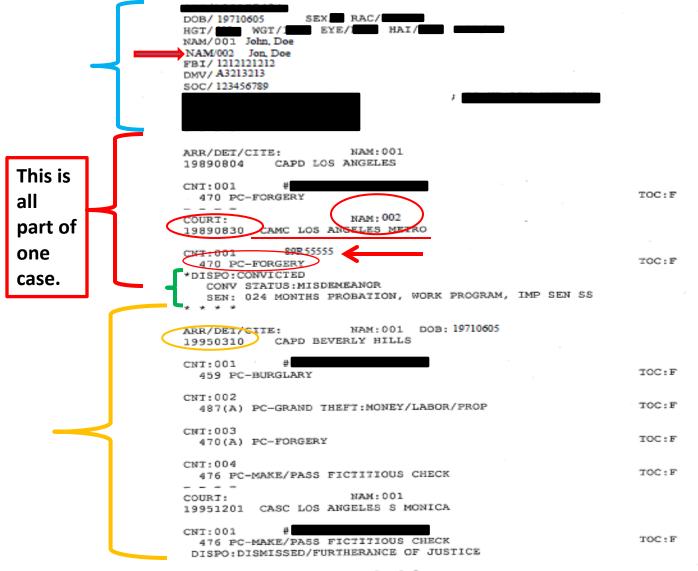
Cindy Santes

Enclosures BCIA 8711 (Rev. 06/10) For KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General

RE: QNY.CA0349400.09175494.APPUSR. DATE: 20150209 TIME: 14:22:57 RESTRICTED-DO NOT USE FOR EMPLOYMENT, LICENSING OR CERTIFICATION PURPOSES FOR CALIFORNIA AGENCIES ONLY - HAS PREVIOUS QUALIFYING OFFENSE. COLLECT DNA IF INCARCERATED, CONFINED, OR ON PROBATION OR PAROLE FOLLOWING ANY MISDEMEANOR OR FELONY CONVICTION. REQUEST KITS AND INFO AT (510) 620-3300 OR PC296.PC2968DOJ.CA.GOV. ** PALM PRINT ON FILE AT DOJ FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE E-MAIL PALM. PRINT@DOJ. CA. GOV ** III CALIFORNIA ONLY SOURCE RECORD HGT/508 WGT/180 EYE/BRO NAM/001 John, Doe NAM/002 Jon, Doe FBI/1212121212 DMV/ A3213213 ; SC UR ARM-UNKNOWN NAM: 001 ARR/DET/CITE: CAPD LOS ANGELES 19890804 CNI:001 #2284845P1540791 470 PC-FORGERY WAM: 002 COURT: 19890830 CAMC LOS ANGELES METRO 89R55555 470 PC-FORGERY TOC: F *DISPO: CONVICTED CONV STATUS: MISDEMEANOR SEN: 024 MONTHS PROBATION, WORK PROGRAM, IMP SEN SS ARR/DET/CITE: NAM: 001 DOB: 19710605 19950310 CAPD BEVERLY HILLS CNT:001 #9502426 04433554 TOC: F 459 PC-BURGLARY 487(A) PC-GRAND THEFT:MONEY/LABOR/PROP TOC: F 470(A) PC-FORGERY TOC: F CNT:004 TOC:F 476 PC-MAKE/PASS FICTITIOUS CHECK MAM: 001 COURT: 19951201 CASC LOS ANGELES S MONICA **# SA852852852** 476 PC-MAKE/PASS FICTITIOUS CHECK TOC: F DISPO: DISMISSED/FURTHERANCE OF JUSTICE

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Pulling Out the Relevant Information:



Let's Practice!

Reading a DOJ rap sheet

3. How to Read a Case File ("Docket")

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF COMPTON COURTHOUSE JUDICIAL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA NO. 93M32132 PAGE NO. 1 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALTEORNIA CURRENT DATE 08/12/15 DEFENDANT 01: JOHN ALLEN DOE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY EFFECTING ARREST: LASD - CARSON STATION BAIL: APPEARANCE AMOUNT DATE RECEIPT OR SURETY COMPANY REGISTER DATE OF BAIL POSTED BOND NO. NUMBER CASE FILED ON 11/05/93. COMPLAINT FILED, DECLARED OR SWORN TO CHARGING DEFENDANT WITH HAVING COMMITTED, ON OR ABOUT 11/02/93 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE FOLLOWING OFFENSE(S) OF: COUNT 01: 12025(A) PC MISD Offenses Charged COUNT 02: 12031(A) PC MISD NEXT SCHEDULED EVENT: 12/14/93 830 AM ARRAIGNMENT DIST COMPTON COURTHOUSE DIV 008 ON 12/14/93 830 AM IN COMPTON COURTHOUSE DIV CASE CALLED FOR ARRAIGNMENT PARTIES: R (JUDGE) (REP) DEFENDANT DEMANDS COUNSEL. COURT REFERS DEFENDANT TO THE PURL TO DEFENDED PUBLIC DEFENDER APPOINTED. DEFENDANT IS PRESENT IN COURT, AND REPRESENTED BY LARONDA J. MCCOY DEPUTY PUBLIC DEFENDER DEFENDANT STATES HIS/HER TRUE NAME AS CHARGED. DEFENDANT ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS ORALLY: THE RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY A LAWYER AT ALL STAGES OF THE PROCEEDINGS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT, IF QUALIFIED, TO BE REPRESENTED BY A LAWYER AT PUBLIC EXPENSE: IN ANY CASE IN WHICH YOU ARE FURNISHED A LAWYER, EITHER THROUGH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL APPOINTED BY THE COURT, UPON CONCLUSION OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS IN THE TRIAL COURT, THE COURT SHALL MAKE A DETERMINATION OF YOUR PRESENT ABILITY TO PAY ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COST OF COUNSEL. IF THE COURT DETERMINES THAT YOU HAVE THE PRESENT ABILITY TO PAY ALL OR PART OF THE COST, IT SHALL ORDER YOU TO PAY THE SUM TO THE COUNTY IN ANY INSTALLMENTS AND MANNER WHICH IT BELIEVES REASONABLE AND COMPATIBLE WITH YOUR FINANCIAL ABILITY. EXECUTION MAY BE ISSUED ON THE ORDER IN THE SAME MANNER AS ON A JUDGMENT IN A CIVIL ACTION: THE RIGHT TO REPRESENT YOURSELF, IF YOU KNOWINGLY, INTELLIGENTLY, UNDERSTANDINGLY, AND EXPLICITLY WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO A LAWYER AND UNDERSTAND THE DANGERS AND DISADVANTAGES OF SELF-REPRESENTATION; THE RIGHT TO A REASONABLE CONTINUANCE BEFORE ENTERING A PLEA: YOU MAY PLEAD GUILTY, NOT GUILTY OR, WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE COURT, NOLO CONTENDERE TO THE CHARGES IN THE COMPLAINT: A PLEA OF NOLO CONTENDERE SHALL BE CONSIDERED THE SAME AS A PLEA OF GUILTY. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEEDING, IT IS AN ADMISSION OF GUILT BUT CANNOT BE USED AGAINST YOU AS AN ADMISSION OF FAULT IN A CIVIL PROCEEDINGS ARISING OUT OF THE INCIDENT THAT CAUSED CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS TO BE BROUGHT; IF YOU PLEAD NOT GUILTY, YOU ARE ENTITLED TO A SPEEDY AND PUBLIC TRIAL:

Transcript of Case

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CASE NO. 93M321321
                                                      PAGE NO.
DEF NO. Ul
                                                      DATE PRINTED 08/12/15
COURT FINDS THAT EACH SUCH WAIVER IS KNOWINGLY, UNDERSTANDINGLY, AND EXPLICITLY
THE DEFENDANT WITH THE COURTS APPROVAL, PLEADS NOLO CONTENDERE TO COUNT 01 A
  VIOLATION OF SECTION 12025(A) PC. THE COURT FINDS THE DEFENDANT GUILTY.
COUNT (01) : DISPOSITION: CONVICTED
THE DEFENDANT WITH THE COURTS APPROVAL, PLEADS NOLO CONTENDERE TO COUNT 02 A
  VIOLATION OF SECTION 12031(A) PC. THE COURT FINDS THE DEFENDANT GUILTY.
COUNT (02) : DISPOSITION: CONVICTED
DEFENDANT IS ADVISED OF HIS RIGHT TO A SPEEDY TRIAL AND WAIVES STATUTORY TIME
  FOR TRIAL.
COURT FINDS THAT THERE IS A FACTUAL BASIS FOR DEFENDANT'S PLEA, AND COURT
  ACCEPTS PLEA.
NEXT SCHEDULED EVENT:
  SENTENCING
  DEFENDANT WAIVES ARRAIGNMENT FOR JUDGMENT AND STATES THERE IS NO LEGAL CAUSE
  WHY SENTENCE SHOULD NOT BE PRONOUNCED. THE COURT ORDERED THE FOLLOWING
  JUDGMENT:
AS TO COUNT (01), (02):
IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE SUSPENDED
DEFENDANT PLACED ON SUMMARY PROBATION
  FOR A PERIOD OF 001 YEARS UNDER THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
  PERFORM 10 DAYS OF CAL TRANS, AND FILE PROOF OF COMPLETION WITH THE CLERK'S
    OFFICE BY 02/28/94:
  IN ADDITION:
  -NOT OWN, USE OR POSSESS ANY DANGEROUS OR DEADLY WEAPONS,
    INCLUDING ANY FIREARMS, KNIVES OR OTHER CONCEALABLE WEAPONS.
  -THE WEAPON INVOLVED IN THIS CASE IS ORDERED CONFISCATED AND
    DESTROYED BY THE ARRESTING AGENCY.
  -NOT COMMIT ANY CRIMINAL OFFENSE.
  -OBEY ALL LAWS AND ORDERS OF THE COURT.
  -DEFENDANT REFERRED TO FINANCIAL OFFICER FOR DETERMINATION OF
   VALUE OF SERVICES RENDERED AND ABILITY TO PAY COSTS OF COURT
   APPOINTED COUNSEL OR PUBLIC DEFENDER.
 COUNT 2 - 12031(A)PC STAYED PURSUANT TO 654 PC.
 DEFENDANT ORDERED TO REPORT TO FINANCIAL EVALUATOR IMMEDIATELY.
 CONFISCATION ORDER ISSUED TO CARSON SHERIFF.
COUNT (01): DISPOSITION: CONVICTED
COUNT (02): DISPOSITION: CONVICTED
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Conviction-

Sentence

DMV ABSTRACT NOT REQUIRED
NEXT SCHEDULED EVENT:
02/28/94 830 AM PROOF OF CAL TRANS DIST COMPTON COURTHOUSE DIV 010

Let's Practice!

Reading a rap sheet for information required for a petition for dismissal

Now a client comes to you and requests the dismissal relief for a conviction in Compton on February 3, 2010. What bracket has that information?

A) Blue Bracket

C) Red Bracket

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COM: PROTO AVAILABLE SCH: M20C2870015 COURT: NUMBER 0:0-1 20091016 CASC COMPTON CMT : 0.01# COMTA123456789 11377(A) HS-POSSESS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE DISPO:PROC SUSP/DRUG CRI-DEFERRED JUDGEMENT DCM:P0903042970919000557 ARR/DET/CITE: SEAML: 0:0.2 DOB:19860131 20091206 CACJ LOS ANGELES B) Green Bracket CMT:001 #2154021-30656401 215(A) PC-CARJACKING ARR BY: CASO LA COMPTON COTT : 002 496(A) PC-RECEIVE/ETC KNOWN STOLEN PROPERTY ADR:20091206 (9334, MAPLE ST, ,E, BELL FLOWER, CA, 90706) COM: PHOTO AVAILABLE SCN:M20C3400006 ARR/DET/CITE: MAN: 004 DOB: 19870131 20100201 CACJ LOS ANGELES #2214008-30656401 11377(A) HS-POSSESS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ARR BY: CASO LA COMPTON CHT: 002 11377(A) HS-POSSESS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE DISPO:DISPO SEE MATCH ARR/DET/CITE NUMB(FDSMN) **# COMTA123456789** ADR:20100201 (9334, MAPLE STREET, , , BELLFLOWER, CA, ,) COM: PHOTO AVAILABLE SCM:M06D0320005 NAME: 0.0 L 20100203 CASC COMPTON Correct - Click anywhere # COMITA8675309 11377(A) HS-POSSESS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE DISPO: CONVICTED CONV STATUS: FELONY Your ans SEN: 036 MONTHS PROBATION, 030 DAYS JAIL, IMP SEN SS DISPO: CONDITION OF PROB-FIREARM RESTRICTION 20100206 DISPO: FOR CERT INFO SEE AUTOMATED ARCHIVE SYS COM: CONVICTION CERTIFIED BY JOHN A CLARKE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER CLERK, CASCCOMPTON DCM:P0910050371019000832 APPLICABLE: CACB LA DPT CHILDREN & FAM, LOS ANGELES

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4. How to Complete a Petition for Dismissal Using Judicial Council Forms CR 180 & 181

CR-180 Petition for Dismissal

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): FOR COURT USE ONLY TELEPHONE NO: FAX NO: E-WAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (Name) PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEFENDANT DATE OF BIRTH: CASE NUMBER: PETITION FOR DISMISSAL (Pen. Code, 88 17(b), 1203.4, 1203.4a, 1203.41) Time: Department , the petitioner (the defendant in the above-entitled criminal action) was convicted of a violation of the Type of offense: #wiony: Eligible for reduction to (Specify each offense in the case noted above.) Mindemeanor, Infraction) misdemeanor under Penal Code \$ 17(b) (Yes or Not if additional space is needed for listing offenses, use Attachment to Judicial Council Form (form MC-025). 2. Felony or misdemeanor with probation granted (Pen. Code, § 1203.4) Probation was granted on the terms and conditions set forth in the docket of the above-entitled court; the petitioner is not serving a sentence for any offense, nor on probation for any offense, nor under charge of commission of any crime, and the petitioner (check all that apply): a. has fulfilled the conditions of probation for the entire period thereof; has been discharged from probation prior to the termination of the period thereof; c. should be granted relief in the interests of justice. (Please note: You must explain why granting a dismissal would be in the interests of justice. You may complete and attach the Attached Declaration (form MC-031) or submit other relevant documents.) Misdemeanor or infraction with sentence other than probation (Pen. Code, § 1203.4a) Probation was not granted; more than one year has elapsed since the date of pronouncement of judgment. The petitioner has compiled with the sentence of the court and is not serving a sentence for any offense or under charge of commission of any crime; and the petitioner (check one): a. This lived an honest and upright life since pronouncement of judgment and conformed to and obeyed the laws of b. should be granted relief in the interests of justice. (Please note: You must explain why granting a dismissal would be in the interests of justice. You may complete and attach the Attached Declaration (form MC-031) or submit

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA v. DEFENDANT:	CASE NUMBER.
probation for, or charged with the commission of any (check one:) a more than one year has elapsed since petitio mandatory supervision imposed under Penal	ode section 1170(h)(5)(B) and is not serving a sentence for, on offerse, and should be granted relief in the interests of justice, and oner completed the felony county jail sentence with a period of Core section 1170(h)(5)(B), or tioner completed the felony county jail sentence without a period of
(Please note: You must explain why granting a dismit the Attached Deciaration (form MC-031) or submit of	ssal would be in the interests of justice. You may complete and atta her relevant documents.)
,	ove se reduced to misdemeanors under Peral Code section 17(s). plex of guilty, or that the verdictor finding of guilt be set aside s acton under section 1203.4 12
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of	of California that the foregoing is true and correct.
Executed on: (DATE)	(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER OR AT ORNEY)

other relevant documents.)

other relevant documents.)

be in the Interests of Justice. You may complete and attach the Attached Declaration (form MC-031) or submit

	PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA v. DEF	ENDANT:	CASE NUMBER:	
Type of Expungement Continued (1203.41)	b. mandatory supervision imposed u more than two years have elapsed mandatory supervision imposed u	ler Penal Code section 1170(h)(5)(B) ion of any offense, and should be gra ince petitioner completed the felony inder Penal Code section 1170(h)(5)(d since petitioner completed the felon inder Penal Code section 1170(h)(5)(ing a dismissal would be in the intere) and is not serving a sentence for, on anted relief in the interests of justice, and county jail sentence with a period of (B); or ny county jail sentence without a period of	
Check box for type of expungement requested	Petitioner requests that the eligible felony offenses listed above be reduced to misdemeanors under Penal Code section 17(b). Petitioner requests that he/she be permitted to withdraw the plea of guilty, or that the verdict or finding of guilt be set aside and a plea of not guilty be entered and the court dismiss this action under section 1203.4, 1203.4a, or 1203.41 of the Penal Code.			
Complete Signatures	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Executed on: (DATE) (ADDRESS, PETITIONER)	<u> </u>	oing is true and correct. BE OF PETITIONER OR ATTORNEY) (STATE) (ZIP CODE)	

CR-181 Order for Dismissal



- 1. The court GRANTS the petition for reduction of a felony to a misdemeanor under Penal Code section 17(b) and reduces the following felony convictions to misdemeanors:
- ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS in the above-entitled action; or
 Only the following felony convictions in the above-entitled action (specify charges and date of conviction):
- 2. The court DENIES the petition for reduction of a felony to a misdemeanor under Penal Code section 17(b) for: ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS in the above-entitled action; or Only the following felony convictions in the above entitled action (specify charges and date of conviction):
- 3. The court GRANTS the petition for dismissal regarding the following convictions under Penal Code ____ § 1203.4, or § 1203.4a, or § 1203.41, and it is ordered that the pleas, verdicts, or findings of guilt be set aside and vacated and a plea of not guilty be entered and that the complaint be, and is hereby, dismissed for ALL CONVICTIONS in the above-entitled action: or
- Only the following convictions in the above-entitled action (specify charges and date of conviction):
- 4. The court DENIES the petition for dismissal regarding the following convictions under Penal Code 5 1203.4, or § 1203.4a, or § 1203.41 for:
 - ALL CONVICTIONS in the above-entitled action; or Only the following convictions in the above-entitled action (specify charges and date of conviction):
- 5. If this order is granted under the provisions of Penal Code section 1203.4 or 1203.41:
- a. The petitioner is required to disclose the above conviction in response to any direct question contained in any questionnaire or application for public office, or for licensure by any state or local agency, or for contracting with the California State Lottery Commission
- b. Dismissal of the conviction does not automatically relieve petitioner from the requirement to register as a sex offender (See, e.g., Pen. Code, § 290.5.)
- c. The petitioner may also be eligible to obtain a certificate of rehabilitation and pardon under the procedure set forth in Penal Code section 4852.01 et sea.

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Penal Code, §§ 17(b), 1203.4, 1203.4a, and 1203.41

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- 6. If the order is granted under the provisions of either Penal Code section 1203.4, 1203.4a, or 1203.41, the petitioner is released from all penalties and disabilities resulting from the offense except as provided in Penal Code sections 29800 and 29900 (formerly sections 12021 and 12021.1) and Vehicle Code section 13555. In any subsequent prosecution of the petitioner for any other offense, the prior conviction may be pleaded and proved and shall have the same effect as if probation had not been granted or the accusation or information dismissed. The dismissal does not permit a person to own, possess, or have in his or her control a firearm if prevented by Penai Code sections 29800 or 29900 (formerly sections 12021 and 12021.1). Dismissal of a conviction does not permit a person prohibited from holding public office as a result of that conviction to hold public office.
- 7. In addition, as required by Penal Code section 299(f), relief under Penal Code sections 17(b), 1203.4, 1203.4a, or 1203.41 does not release petitioner from the separate administrative duty to provide specimens, samples, or print impressions under the DNA and Forensic Identification Database and Data Bank Act (Pen. Code, § 295 et seq.) If petitioner was found guilty by a trier of fact, not guilty by reason of insanity, or pied no contest to a qualifying offense as defined in Penal Code section 296(a).

Date

(AUDICIAL OFFICER)

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REMEMBER!!!!

- 1. Fill out paperwork and Client signs all the following: a) petition (CR-180); b) fee waiver (FW001); and c) declaration (MC-031).
 - http://www.courts.ca.gov/forms.htm
 - Copy paperwork three times → 1) copy for our files 2) copy for the client 3) copy for Proof of Service.
- 2. Client will serve prosecutors themselves.
- 3. Client will file original petition with clerk
 - Clerk to stamp copy as proof of receipt.