STATE OF MAINE DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY, ss. LOCATION:

JUVENILE ACTION

DOCKET NO.: JV-

STATE OF MAINE )

)

v. ) PETITION TO SEAL RECORDS

) PURSUANT TO 15 M.R.S. § 3308(8)

)

Juvenile )

NOW COMES the Petitioner, through counsel, and respectfully asks this Honorable Court to seal his juvenile record for the following reasons:

Petitioner, born , declares the following:

**SECTION ONE**

1. At least 3 years have passed since my discharge from the disposition ordered for the juvenile crime; AND
2. Since the date of disposition, I have not been adjudicated to have committed a juvenile crime and have not been convicted of committing a crime as an adult; AND
3. There are no current adjudicatory proceedings pending against me for juvenile or other crimes;
4. Assistant District Attorney has been contacted, and indicates that he takes no position on this motion;
5. one of the victims, has been contacted and supports this petition.

**SECTION TWO**

**DATE CHARGED DOCKET NO./CHARGE**

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**SECTION THREE**

I am petitioning that this Court find that my privacy interests outweigh the public’s interest in the information contained in my juvenile record for the following reasons:

\_\_\_\_\_\_Please see attached affidavit.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Dated:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Petitioner

STATE OF MAINE

COUNTY

Then personally appeared the above-named, who, under penalty of perjury, affirmed under oath the truth of the facts in the foregoing affidavit.

Before me,

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Notary Public/Attorney at Law

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Attorney

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I, being duly sworn, affirm, under the pains and penalties of perjury, that the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. My name is
2. On
3. On
4. I have not since been charged with an adult or juvenile crime and have attached my up-to-date Criminal History Record.
5. I make this affidavit in support of my petition to seal my juvenile record.

**The Impact of My Juvenile Record**

1. I graduated from
2. My wife and I were married
3. It is important that I am able to support myself, my wife, and my child.
4. I work
5. I currently
6. I am
7. In fact, I have gained employment a number of times in this field, but my juvenile record has significantly impacted my ability to maintain that employment.
8. I am forthcoming about my juvenile record when I apply and interview for jobs.
9. After my record came up
10. I was hired
11. Most recently
12. I was very excited about this job
13. Although I had been forthcoming about my juvenile record upon applying, and those interviewing me said that it should not be a problem, I was fired at the end of September, a month after I was hired.
14. my record precluded me from being able to do so, and they could not accommodate my continued employment.
15. Once I find a job, I feel forced to keep it as long as possible so that I will not have to go through the hiring process. Most of the jobs I have thus far been able to obtain with my record have been entry-level. This has left me feeling as though I will be unable to advance in my career, although I am skilled enough and driven to do so. This is important because I wish to learn and grow in my field and because I am very worried about raising a child with an entry-level salary without benefits.

**My Interest in Privacy Outweighs Any Public Safety Concerns and the Public’s Interest in Viewing My Juvenile Record**

1. I take full responsibility for my actions
2. I believe my actions demonstrate that I do not pose any safety risk to the community, and, therefore, the public does not have an interest in the contents of my juvenile record.
3. Leaving my juvenile record unsealed has impacted my ability to gain employment with a salary that reflects my skill level, my ability to support and care for my family, and has caused me interpersonal stress in the workplace. I fear my record will continue to limit my opportunity for continued growth unless this court grants my petition to seal my juvenile record.

Wherefore, I respectfully request that my petition to seal my juvenile records pursuant to 15 M.R.S. § 3308(8) be granted.

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Date

Notarization

Subscribed and sworn before me on this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of personally known to me or provided to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who appeared before me.

My commission expires on:

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Signature