

After the Application... What Now?

Congratulations on taking your first steps in completing the application for restoration of your civil rights, including the right to vote!

You now need to:

- 1. Keep a copy of your completed application (Data Worksheet) in a personal file at home.** If you submit additional information, make sure to keep copies for yourself!
- 2. If you are in the Level 1 category you do not have to do anything other than update your contact information with the Office of Executive Clemency.** If you provided updated contact information in writing, you should call the Office of Executive Clemency to confirm it was received. **The telephone number for the Office of Executive Clemency is (850) 488-2952 or toll free: (800) 435-8286.**
- 3. If you are in the Level 2 or Level 3 categories you should submit OPTIONAL letters of recommendation, if possible.** Even if your application has already been mailed, you can still send letters of recommendation or character references. When you send these materials, include a note indicating your name and when your application was submitted. Ask that the letters be attached to your application. Letters can be mailed to the same address as your application at:

**Office of Executive Clemency
2601 Blirstone Road, C-229
Tallahassee, FL 32399-2450**

Letters of recommendation or character reference are OPTIONAL. You can submit your application without them. However, favorable letters may make a difference at the time your application is reviewed.

If you are in Level 2 or Level 3, the Florida Parole Commission may contact the person(s) who wrote letters for you during the course of investigating your application.

You should submit the letters of recommendation as soon as possible!

4. Call the Office of Executive Clemency to make sure your application was received. Do the same for any follow-up materials that you send. Call periodically to get status reports!

The toll free telephone number for the Office of Executive Clemency is: 800-435-8286.

5. Once you have submitted your application, please be aware that the review process is often long. You may be asked to submit additional information or to fill out another form.
6. **Don't be discouraged!** If you have questions before or after you have submitted your application, you can feel free to contact the Florida Rights Restoration Coalition (FRRC):
 - **Call:** 877-U-Count -2/ 877-826-8682 / 786-363-2731
 - **Email:** vrp@aclufi.org
 - **Or visit:** www.restorerights.org
7. If you know someone who would like to apply for restoration of civil rights or other types of clemency, you can access the online application, as well as download application forms and the official Rules of Executive Clemency, at: <http://www.state.fl.us/fpc/exclem.html>. You may also call the Office of Executive Clemency toll free at: **(800) 435-8286**.