

CALHOUN COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION DIVISION / PUBLIC SAFETY

APPLICANT'S PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENT

NAME _____

DATE ISSUED _____

COMPLETE AND RETURN BY _____

I am applying for:

Director PID# _____

Telecommunicator PID# _____

Personal History Statement Instructions

Employees are exposed to confidential and law enforcement sensitive information. A thorough background investigation is required to properly evaluate the suitability of applicants for employment with the agency. Although it is an achievement to reach the background phase of the hiring process, this is still a competitive process and does not, in any way, guaranty selection.

These instructions are provided as a guide to assist you in properly completing your Personal History Statement. **It is essential that the information is accurate in all respects so please read all instructions carefully before proceeding.** The Personal History Statement will be used as a basis for a background investigation that **will** determine your eligibility for becoming an employee.

1. Your application must be printed legibly in **BLACK INK** by the applicant or typed. Answer all questions truthfully and accurately.
2. If a question is not applicable to you, enter **N/A** in the space provided.
3. Avoid errors by reading the directions carefully before making any entries on the form. Be sure your information is accurate and in proper sequence before you begin.
4. You are responsible for obtaining correct and full addresses. If you are not sure of an address, personally verify before making that entry on this history statement. Errors will not be viewed favorably. **ALL ADDRESSES MUST BE COMPLETE WITH ZIP CODES.**
5. If you need additional space for your answers, attach an additional sheet or sheets as needed. Be sure to indicate what question number and page this refers to.
6. An accurate and complete form will help expedite your investigation. **Omissions or falsifications** will result in **disqualification**.
7. You are responsible for furnishing any changes and/or updating your application as needed, such as address changes or telephone changes in writing.
8. Any candidate submitting an incomplete application **WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR EMPLOYMENT**. Your application will be evaluated on completeness and neatness.
9. All documents requested must be submitted with the application (photocopies are acceptable in most cases). Required documents vary according to the position being sought and the history of the applicant. Hiring agency please check off documents required- modify list as necessary
 - Completed Personal History Statement
 - Copy of your Social Security card.
 - Original certified copy of your birth certificate. (No photo copy)
 - Copy of your valid Texas driver license or a copy of another State's driver license. Applicant must possess a valid Texas driver license prior to being offered employment.
 - Copy of your High School diploma or GED certificate.
 - Sealed original certified copy of your college transcript. (No photo copy)
 - Photocopy of your college diploma.
 - Copy of your Peace Officer Certificate from your police academy. (Peace Officer Applicants Only)
 - Copy of your Texas peace officer license and all training certificates awarded to you. (Peace Officer Applicants Only)
 - Copy of your DD-214 if applicable. Must possess an honorable discharge.
 - Original certified copy of your Naturalization papers, if applicable. (No photo copy)
 - Copy of current proof of automobile liability insurance.
 - Copy of a TCOLE approved Firearms Qualifications within the last 12 months.
10. If you have any questions, please contact your assigned background investigator
11. When submitting the completed documents, please place them in a sealed envelope marked Personal and Confidential to your assigned background investigator.

Applicant Qualification Section

Before you begin to fill out this personal history statement, please ensure that you meet the following requirements. You must meet all five of these requirements to qualify for licensure as a peace officer or jailer in Texas.

Initial: _____ I am a citizen of the United States of America.

_____ I have earned a high school diploma or a GED.

_____ I have never been convicted, plead guilty (nolo contendere), nor have I been on court-ordered community service/probation or deferred adjudication for a Class A misdemeanor or a felony.

_____ During the last ten (10) years, I have not been convicted, plead guilty (nolo contendere), been on community service/probation or deferred adjudication for a Class B misdemeanor in this state, other state, or while serving in the military.

_____ I have never had a military court martial that resulted in a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge.

DISQUALIFICATION

There are very few automatic basis for rejection. Even issues of prior misconduct, employee terminations, and arrests are usually not, in and of themselves, automatically disqualifying. However, deliberate misstatements or omissions can and often will result in your application being rejected, regardless of the nature or reason for the misstatements/omissions. In fact, the number one reason individuals "fail" background investigations is because they deliberately withhold or misrepresent job-relevant information from their prospective employer.

This personal history statement is a governmental document. Be truthful, as there are criminal consequences for lying on a governmental document.

APPLICANT IDENTIFICATION

INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION IS USED FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES ONLY.

Last Name	First	Middle	Maiden
Street Address		Apt. No.	
City		State & Zip Code	
Mailing Address (if different from residence)		State & Zip Code	
Home Telephone No.	Work Telephone No.	Cellular No.	
		Pager No.	
Date of Birth	Social Security No.	Drivers License No. & State	

Have you ever been known or gone by any other name (excluding nick-names)? If yes, give details.

Place of Birth (City, County, State, Country) _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen by Birth? _____ Are you a Naturalized Citizen? _____

Height _____ Weight _____ Eye Color _____ Hair Color _____

Scars, Tattoos (description and location) or other distinguishing marks _____

Do you have a social networking, instant messaging, or other internet-based profile(s)? If yes, provide screen name(s), service provider(s). _____

List ALL E-Mail Addresses (S) _____

MARITAL & FAMILY HISTORY

Single _____ Married _____ Engaged _____ Co-habiting _____

Spouse's/Co-habitant's name (include maiden name) _____

Address _____

Date of Birth _____ Date of Marriage _____

Employer(s) _____

Employer & Address _____

Home Telephone No. _____ Work Telephone No. _____

Roommate(s)(do not include parents or cohabitants) _____

Date(s) of birth _____

If you have been separated, divorced, or widowed, provide details below:

Date of Marriage _____	Date of Marriage _____
City & State _____	City & State _____
Separated _____ Date _____	Separated _____ Date _____
Divorced _____ Date _____	Divorced _____ Date _____
Widowed _____ Date _____	Widowed _____ Date _____
Annulled _____ Date _____	Annulled _____ Date _____
Court or State issued _____	Court or State issued _____
Ex-spouse's Name _____	Ex-spouse's Name _____
Date of Birth _____	Date of Birth _____
Telephone No. _____	Telephone No. _____

Identify children related to you or your spouse (Natural, Step-Children, Adopted, or Foster Children)

Relation	Name	Date of Birth	Address

PERSONAL REFERENCES

List five (5) persons who know you well enough to provide current information about you. Do not list relatives, former or present employers, or supervisors.

Name _____ Years known _____

Address _____

Home Telephone _____ Alternate Telephone _____

Nature of Relationship _____

Name _____ Years known _____

Address _____

Home Telephone _____ Alternate Telephone _____

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Address _____

Home Telephone _____ Alternate Telephone _____

Nature of Relationship _____

Identify below any employees of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement with whom you are acquainted:

TRAFFIC RECORD

Identify all vehicles that you currently own or operate:

Year	Make	Model	Color	License Plate No.	Owner

Please list your current automobile insurance carrier: _____ Expires: _____

Have you ever possessed a driver's license issued by any state other than Texas? Yes ___ No ___

If yes give details below:

Driver's License No. _____ State _____ Date issued _____

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Have you **ever** had your driver's license suspended or revoked? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, give reason, date, and length of suspension: _____

Identify all motor vehicle accidents you have been involved in during the last **10 years**.

Date	Location	Police Report: Yes/No
Cause of Accident (e.g., ran red light, failed to control speed)		
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Cause of Accident (e.g., ran red light, failed to control speed)		

Identify all traffic citations you have received within the last 10 years, excluding parking tickets:

Month/Year	Violation	City & State	Disposition (e.g., defensive driving, dismissed)

ARRESTS, DETENTIONS, AND LITIGATION

Have you ever been arrested or detained by law enforcement?

Yes _____ No _____ If yes, complete the following table:

Agency	Offense	Date	Location	Outcome

Have you **ever** committed an act of family violence? ("Family violence" means an act by a member of a family or household against another member of the family or household that is intended to result in physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or sexual assault or that is a threat that reasonably places the member in fear of imminent physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or sexual assault, but does not include defensive measures to protect oneself.) (Texas Family Code Section 71.004) If yes, explain: _____

Have you **ever** assaulted another person since the age of seventeen (17)? ("Assault" means to cause bodily injury to another, threaten another with imminent bodily injury, or to cause physical contact with another when the person knows or should reasonably believe that the other will regard the contact as offensive or provocative.) (Texas Penal Code Section 22.01) If yes, explain: _____

Have you **ever** been considered or named a suspect in a criminal investigation or criminal offense? If yes, explain: _____

Have you **ever** been a party to a civil suit or action? If yes, explain: _____

Have you **ever** been involved in any incident (do not include vehicular accidents) in which a police report was made or law enforcement was called? If yes, explain: _____

Other than crimes that would have been sealed by juvenile records, have you ever committed — or assisted another person in the commission of — a felony crime, serious misdemeanor, or a crime involving moral turpitude that went undetected or unreported to law enforcement? If yes, explain: _____

Do you anticipate being sued or named in any type of lawsuit or proceeding? Yes___ No___

FAMILY AND RELATIVES' ARRESTS

Have members of your immediate family or close relatives have ever been arrested?

Yes _____ No _____ If yes, complete the following table:

Name/Relationship	Charge/Offense	Outcome	Year	Agency

FINANCIAL HISTORY

Your current net monthly income _____ Spouse's current net monthly income _____

Source	Amount	Frequency
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Do you have any accounts with a financial institution? Yes ___ No ___

Name(s) of financial institution(s) _____

Type(s) of account(s) _____

Identify any person or entity to whom you are indebted, and the extent of your indebtedness. Include mortgages, vehicle payments, charge accounts, credit cards, loans, child support payments, and any other debts or payments.

Name of Creditor (e.g., Sears, Citi financial)	Type of Debt (e.g., student loan, automobile)	Monthly Payment	Approx Balance

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Beginning with your present or most recent job, list all employment since the age of seventeen (17). Include full-time, part-time, temporary, seasonal, military assignments, or unpaid internships, plus all periods of unemployment.

If you are currently employed, may we contact your present employer? Yes _____ No ____

1. Employer _____ From _____ To _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

Job Title _____ Beginning and Ending Salary _____

Work Schedule _____

Name of supervisor _____ Supervisor contact information _____

Name of a co-worker _____ Co-worker contact information _____

Duties:

Identify any disciplinary actions you received: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Was there an unemployment period between previous employment and the one listed above? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, Provide dates and explain: _____

2. Employer _____ From _____ To _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

Job Title _____ Beginning and Ending Salary _____ / _____

Work Schedule _____

Name of supervisor _____ Supervisor contact information _____

Name of a co-worker _____ Co-worker contact information _____

Duties:

Identify any disciplinary actions you received: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Was there an unemployment period between previous employment and the one listed above? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, provide dates and explain: _____

3. Employer _____ From _____ To _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

Job Title _____ Beginning and Ending Salary _____

Work Schedule _____

Name of supervisor _____ Supervisor contact information _____

Name of a co-worker _____ Co-worker contact information _____

Duties:

Identify any disciplinary actions you received: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Was there an unemployment period between previous employment and the one listed above? ____ Yes ____ No

If yes, provide dates and explain: _____

4. Employer _____ From _____ To _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

Job Title _____ Beginning and Ending Salary _____ / _____

Work Schedule _____

Name of supervisor _____ Supervisor contact information _____

Name of a co-worker _____ Co-worker contact information _____

Duties:

Identify any disciplinary actions you received: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Was there an unemployment period between previous employment and the one listed above? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, provide dates and explain: _____

5. Employer _____ From _____ To _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

Job Title _____ Beginning and Ending Salary _____ / _____

Work Schedule _____

Name of supervisor _____ Supervisor contact information _____

Name of a co-worker _____ Co-worker contact information _____

Duties:

Identify any disciplinary actions you received: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Was there an unemployment period between previous employment and the one listed above? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, provide dates and explain: _____

6. Employer _____ From _____ To _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

Job Title _____ Beginning and Ending Salary _____ / _____

Work Schedule

Name of supervisor _____ Supervisor contact information _____

Name of a co-worker _____ Co-worker contact information _____

Duties:

Identify any disciplinary actions you received: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Was there an unemployment period between previous employment and the one listed above? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, provide dates and explain: _____

7. Employer _____ From _____ To _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

Job Title _____ Beginning and Ending Salary _____ / _____

Work Schedule _____

Name of supervisor _____ Supervisor contact information _____

Name of a co-worker _____ Co-worker contact information _____

Duties:

Identify any disciplinary actions you received: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Was there an unemployment period between previous employment and the one listed above? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, provide dates and explain: _____

8. Employer _____ From _____ To _____

Address

Telephone No. _____

Job Title _____ Beginning and Ending Salary _____ / _____

Work Schedule

Name of supervisor _____ Supervisor contact information _____

Name of a co-worker _____ Co-worker contact information _____

Duties:

Identify any disciplinary actions you received: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Was there an unemployment period between previous employment and the one listed above? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, provide dates and explain: _____

EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

High School(s) attended	Address	Dates attended From-To	Graduated Yes/No

Do you have a G.E.D. Certificate? _____

Were you **ever** expelled from school? If yes, give details: _____

Identify all colleges, universities, or technical schools you have attended:

Name	City & State	Dates attended	Hours completed	Major	Degree & Date

MILITARY OBLIGATION

Have you ever served in the U.S. Armed Forces or State Military Forces? Yes _____ No _____

Served from _____ to _____ Highest Rank held _____
Date Date

Branch of Service _____ Unit _____

Job Title(s) (e.g., Rifleman, Security) _____

Type of discharge _____ Last Duty Station: _____

Are you actively serving in a Reserve Unit (including State Military Forces)? Yes ___ No ___

Serving from _____ to _____ Current Rank held _____
Date Date

Branch of Service _____ Unit _____

Job Title(s) (e.g., Rifleman, Security) _____

Have you **ever** been subject to court martial or any other disciplinary proceeding under the Uniform Code of Military Justice? (Include non-judicial, Captain's mast, etc.) If "Yes," provide date(s), charge(s), military court(s) or authority(ies), and outcome(s).

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS

Identify any special licenses you hold (e.g., pilot, radio operator): _____

If you know a foreign language, indicate your fluency in each block below (excellent, good, fair)

Language	Understanding	Speaking	Reading	Writing

Do you have any experience with firearms? Yes_____ No_____

MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS (PAST AND PRESENT)

Name & Address	Type (e.g., social, fraternal, professional)	From	To

Have you ever been an officer or a member of, or made a contribution to, an organization that advocates or practices the commission of acts of force or violence to discourage others from exercising their rights under the U.S. Constitution or right granted by law.

Yes____ No_____

PERSONAL DECLARATIONS

Do you consume alcoholic beverages? Yes_____ No_____ If 'Yes", how often? _____

Have you ever used marijuana or hashish? Yes_____ No_____ If yes, when last used?_____

Have you ever used any illegal drug (including a performance-enhancing steroid) not prescribed by a physician?

Yes_____ No_____ If yes how often_____ When last used_____

Provide explanation:_____

Have you ever sold or furnished controlled substances or prescription drugs to anyone? Yes____ No_____

If yes, give details:

Are there any incidents in your life, or details not mentioned herein, which may influence this department's evaluation of your suitability for employment as a police officer?

If yes, explain:

Have you ever been employed by or applied with any other law enforcement agency? Yes____ No_____

If yes, please identify to the best of your knowledge.

Personal History Statement

Agency Name & Address	Date Applied or Hired	Result

Identify any additional information you think should be considered in your application for the position you are seeking, and/or any further explanation of answers to previous questions:

I hereby certify that there are no misrepresentations, omissions, or falsifications in the foregoing statements and answers to the above questions. I fully understand that any misrepresentation, omission, or falsification may deem me permanently unsuitable, or if hired, may lead to the termination my employment.

Signature of applicant

Date

Before me personally appeared _____ who stated this document and its intent was explained to him/her that he/she has full knowledge of its purpose and that he/she executed this instrument of his/her free will and accord.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this day of _____, _____

SEAL or STAMP

Signature of Notary
My Commission Expires: _____

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

My Name is _____:My Social Security Number is: _____

I hereby request and authorize you to furnish the County of Calhoun with any and all information they may request concerning my work record, educational history, military records, financial status, criminal record, driving record and general reputation. This authorization is specifically intended to include any and all information of a confidential or privileged nature as well as photocopies of such documents, if requested. This information must include, but is not limited to, dates of employment, reasons for termination, rehire status, reports of misconduct or reprimands, absences and tardiness, and all polygraph examination results and reports. This authorization also includes the release of all internal investigations and reports.

Any and all records relating to Federal Income Tax Returns and filings subsequent actions taken by the IRS whether or not this information is a result of Criminal misconduct, failure to pay taxes or misreporting taxes.

The information will be used for the purpose of determining my eligibility for employment as a _____

I hereby release you and your organization from any liability which may or could result from furnishing the information requested above or from any subsequent use of such information in determining my qualifications to serve as: _____

It is my understanding that any information provided will be held in confidence by the County of Calhoun and I hereby waive any rights or privileges I may have to view documents, or reports generated from these documents, from the County of Calhoun.

I further agree that results from the background investigation, specifically information provided in response to this request is confidential, and should the investigation result in my being disqualified for the position sought, I will not be entitled to specific information submitted in response to this request.

Signature _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME ON THE _____ day of _____, 20 _____

Notary Public

Printed or Typed Name of Notary

Notary Commission Expires: _____