#### Pennsylvania State Police



# Act 79 of 2018 CLEAN Administration



#### Act 79 of 2018

In October 2018, Governor Wolf signed Act 79 into law which made significant changes to the Protection From Abuse (PFA) Order requirements. The Act created new procedures regarding the relinquishment of firearms, ammunition, and other weapons by the defendant named in a PFA Order. Prior to this Act, firearms could be relinquished to a family member, friend, or county Sheriff's Office and defendants were allowed at least 30 days to comply with the relinquishment order. Effective April 10, 2019, Act 79 provides the following changes:

#### Changes:

- Firearms can no longer be given to friends or family for safekeeping;
- Firearms, ammunition, and other weapons can be relinquished to ANY law enforcement agency, Sheriff's Office, Federal Firearms Licensed dealers or a licensed commercial armory, and certain 3<sup>rd</sup> parties;
- Firearms, ammunition, and other weapons must be relinquished within 24 hours of the issuance of a Final Protection Order or the service of a Temporary Protection Order, unless special circumstances exist.

#### Protection From Abuse Database (PFAD)

- The Protection From Abuse Database (PFAD) is a web-based application that has been modified from it's current use to encompass the new requirements of Act 79.
   Users include; Prothonotary/courts, state/municipal law enforcement, Sheriffs, Federal Firearms License holders and others.
- The new modifications incorporate the entire process from the creation of the PFA through its service by law enforcement, and finally the relinquishment and return of the firearms.
- PFAD will also send automatic messages using the Commonwealth Law Enforcement Assistance Network (CLEAN) to agencies notifying them of PFAs as they relate to firearms relinquishment.

## CLEAN Notifications

#### Protection From Abuse Database (PFAD)

- PFAD will use the Commonwealth Law Enforcement Assistance Network (CLEAN) to send the following messages to the involved agencies:
  - A message advising that a PFA has been entered that requires a defendant to relinquish firearms in your area of responsibility within a specified time frame.
  - A message advising if no agency has made a PFAD entry (stating the required firearms were relinquished after the allotted time expires) and that an investigation by the agency having jurisdiction should begin.
  - A message stating a PFA with relinquished firearms has been dismissed/expired and the weapons can be returned.

When a PFA is filed with your agency's ORI listed on the order, you will receive the below message.

WEAPON RELINQUISHMENT ORDERED COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY BELOW DATE

**DEFENDANT: Joe Smith** 

PLAINTIFF: Joann Smith

Protection From Abuse Order #xxxxxx has been entered into the Protection From Abuse Database (PFAD).

This order requires the Defendant Joe Smith to relinquish firearms, ammunition and/or other weapons to the sheriff, the appropriate law enforcement agency or authorized third party for safekeeping by April 21, 2020.

Any entity receiving the weapons from the Defendant should immediately enter them into PFAD using the Relinquish of Firearms Receipt (SP 4-411).

Assistance on how to access and use the Relinquish of Firearms Receipt (SP 4-411) form through PFAD can be found by going to: https://www.pfad.pa.gov/System/UserManual

#### COMMONWEALTH LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE NETWORK

When no PFAD entry is made stating the Defendant relinquished their weapons in the time allotted, the below message is sent to all agencies listed on the order. These messages repeat everyday until the weapons are relinquished and PFAD is updated.

INVESTIGATION REQUIRED: FAILURE TO RELIQUISH FIREARM/WEAPONS

**DEFENDANT: Joe Smith** 

PLAINTIFF: Joan Smith

The agency having jurisdiction where the Defendant resides must investigate why the weapons have not been relinquished.

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An investigation shall be initiated by the appropriate law enforcement agency having primary jurisdiction for a possible violation of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Section 6105, Persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms.

In accordance with Act 79 of 2018, the Plaintiff and Court shall also be notified by the appropriate law enforcement agency having primary jurisdiction that the Defendant failed to relinquish his/her firearms as required.

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Your agency will continue to receive this message every 24 hours until the proper action is taken in PFAD.

This message will be sent once every 24 hours until a relinquishment occurs; but, if your agency is investigating why no PFAD entry has been made (stating the weapons have been relinquished), there is a way to disable this message.

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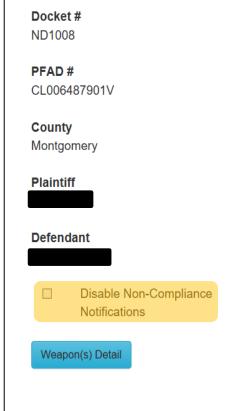
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After logging into PFAD and searching for and selecting the case, the user will see on the left side of the Case Screen an option to disable the CLEAN notifications.

The accompanying message warns the user about the circumstances surrounding the disabling of the notifications and a reason must be supplied.

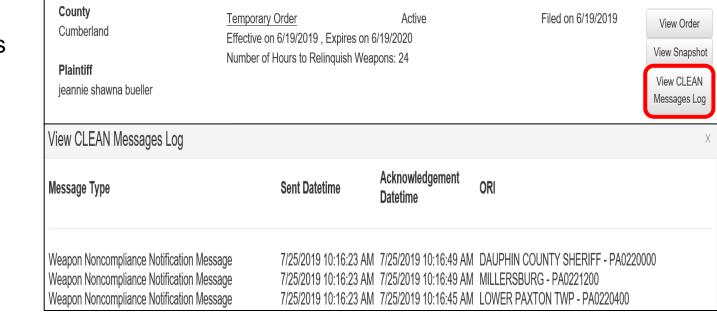


#### Confirm Disabling Non-compliance Notifications

The Automated weapon relinquishment notifications for non-compliance should only be turned off if an official investigation has been initiated or if exigent circumstances exist that prevent the relinquishment from being completed. The individual/agency turning off the notifications for their agency or on behalf of another agency assumes responsibility for ensuring the legal requirements of the order are met. If an agency is turning off the notification on behalf of another agency they should ensure that they maintain documentation as to the circumstances surrounding the disabling of the notifications.



To see where any of the CLEAN messages relating to weapon relinquishment are being sent can be found by clicking on View CLEAN Messages Log.



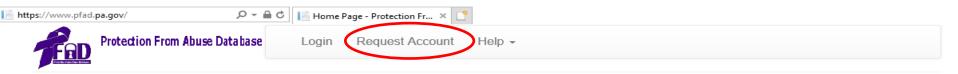


## Logging into PFAD



If you do not have a PFAD account, from the below website select Request Account

#### www.pfad.pa.gov



#### About PFAD

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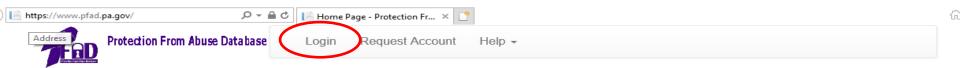
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User's with established PFAD accounts click Login

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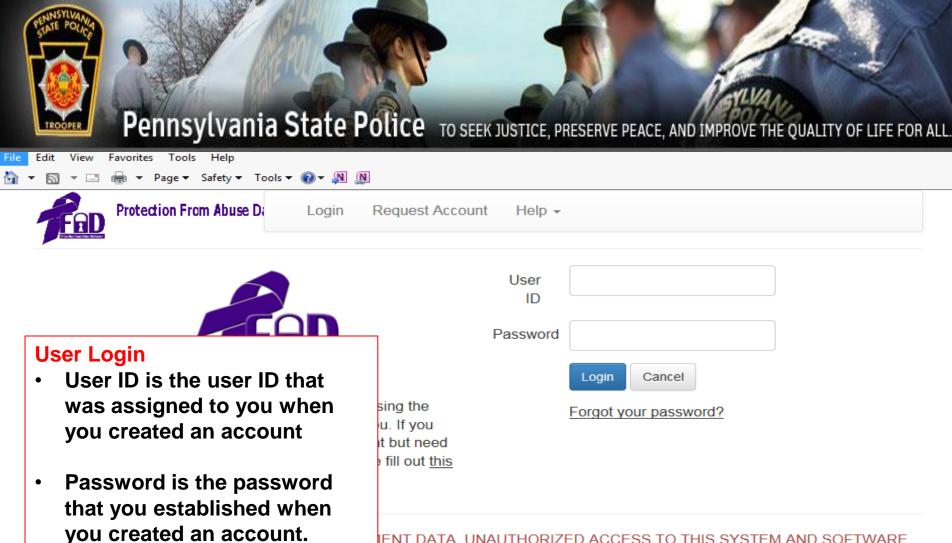
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ENT DATA. UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS TO THIS SYSTEM AND SOFTWARE

IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. All activities on this system may be recorded and monitored. Anyone using this system expressly consents to such monitoring and waives any expectation of privacy. Evidence of possible misconduct or abuse, to include use without authorization, use in excess of authorization, or prevention of authorized use, may be provided to appropriate officials for investigation and action under applicable Federal and State criminal and civil statutes.



Firearms, weapons, and ammunition that are relinquished to LE are to be entered into PFAD. When completed, PFAD can print a receipt that shall be given to the defendant.

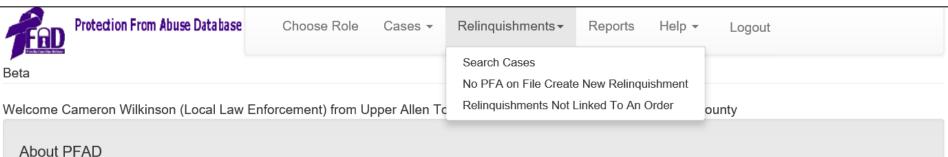
The receipt being filed in PFAD shows the defendant relinquished the items and will stop any automated noncompliance CLEAN messages that are being sent to the agencies listed on the PFA Order.

To enter the relinquishments, the Officer or Designee must sign into their PFAD account. Click on the Cases drop down menu and click on Search Cases.

Protection From Abuse Database	Choose Role	Cases -	Relinquishments +	Reports	Help ▼	Logout		
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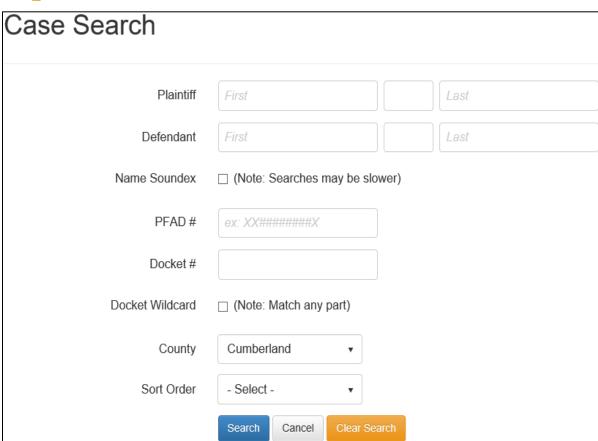
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#### Search Cases can also be found under Relinquishments.



A search can be made for the Plaintiff or the Defendant or by Docket #.

The County search defaults to the county of the agency, but can be set to Statewide for a broader search.



The results will be displayed below the search fields. Click View Case on the desired case.

Keep in mind that a person can be a defendant of multiple PFA Orders. Select the case that the Defendant is there to relinquish items for. This can be determined by asking the Defendant the Plaintiff's name, or looking for the Plaintiff's name on any documentation that the Defendant brought with them.

PFAD: FR006487392E, Docket: , County: Cumberland

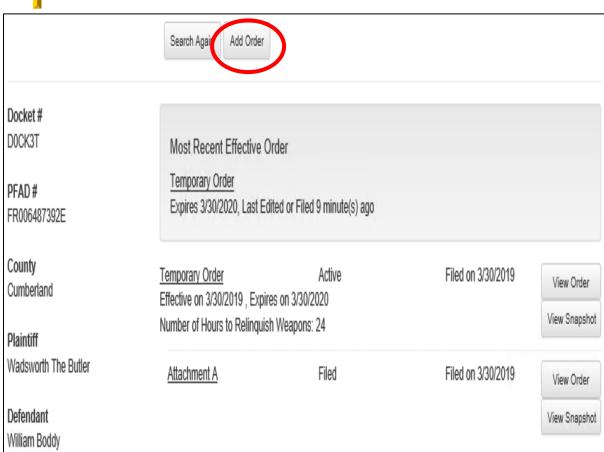
Wadsworth Butler (Plaintiff) William Boddy (Defendant) Updated 3/30/2019

View Case

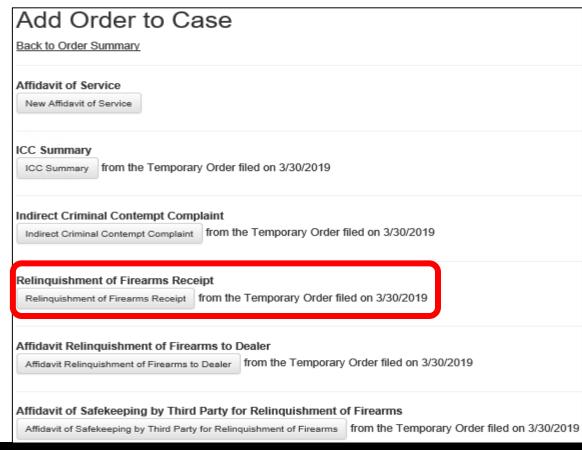


Viewing the case will show the history of the PFA.

To enter the relinquished weapons, click Add Order.



LE agencies must fill out the Relinquishment of Firearms Receipt.

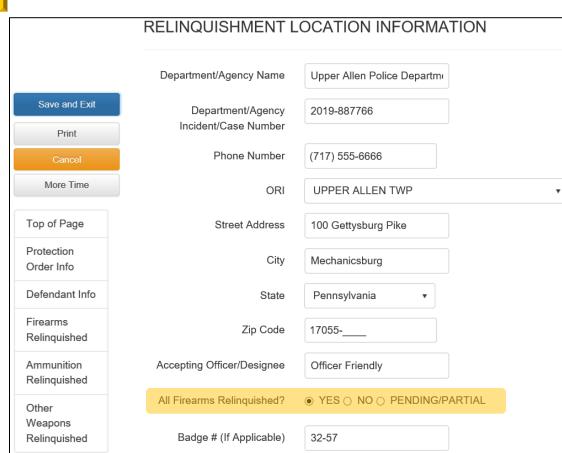




The upper portion of the receipt is where agency information is entered. The middle portion of the form will populate from the information on the PFA Order.

IF the Defendant is only relinquishing some of the weapons listed on Attachment A of the PFA, the PENDING/PARTIAL selection must be selected.

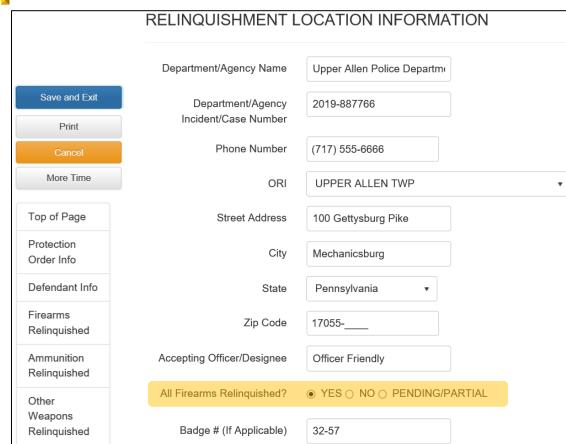
This indicates on the receipt that the Defendant intends on turning in the rest of the relinquishments listed on the PFA at a later date.





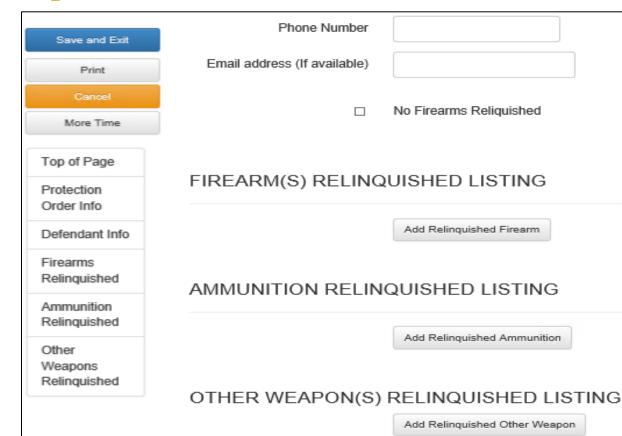
IF the defendant returns to the same agency to turn in the remainder, then the receipt can be updated with this selection changed to YES and the remaining weapons added.

IF the defendant arrives at a different agency to turn in the remainder of the relinquishment, then a new receipt is to be created with YES selected.



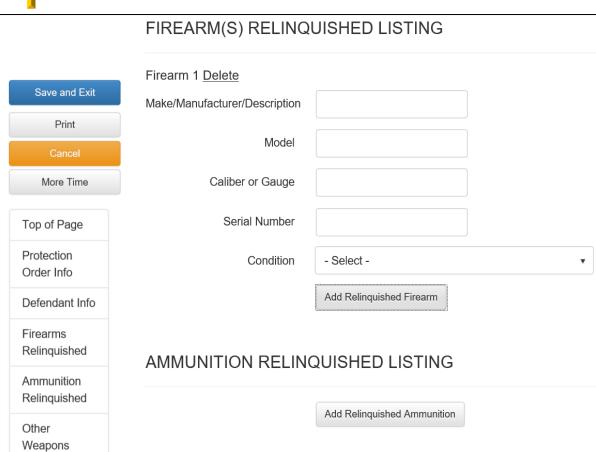
The information relating to the PFA will be pre-populated.

The bottom of the form is where the relinquished firearms, ammunition, or other weapons will be entered.



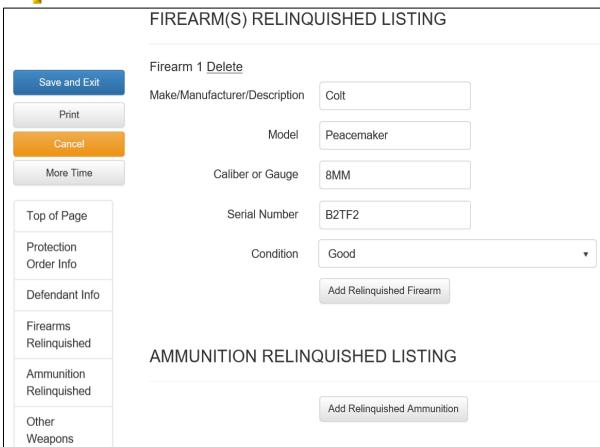


Clicking on any of the Add Relinquished buttons will cause the form to expand to enter the applicable information.



Fill out the fields for the firearm and select the condition of the firearm.

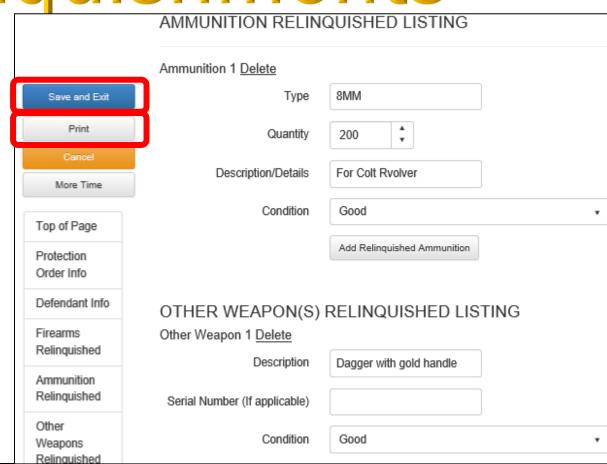
To add additional firearms, click Add Relinquished Firearm and the process is repeated.



Relinquished ammunition and the other weapons are filled in as needed.

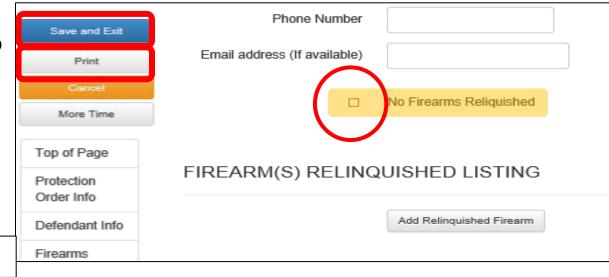
When the form has been completed, click Print so that the form can be signed by the accepting officer and the Defendant.

After printing, click Save and Exit.



If the Defendant claims that they do not have or own any firearms to relinquish, the No Firearms Relinquished checkbox can be selected.

When this option is used clicking "YES" is still required for All Firearms Relinquished.



Click Print so the form can be signed by the receiving officer and the Defendant.

Although no firearms were actually relinquished, the Defendant will need a signed receipt as proof they advised law enforcement that they have no firearms to relinquish.

After printing click Save and Exit.

The receipt lists all relinquishments received by the agency.

The accepting officer and the Defendant shall sign the receipt.

A copy of the signed receipt is to be given to the Defendant with your agency keeping the original.

#### Protection Order Number 90210 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

RELINQUISHMENT LOCATION INFORMATION

	Department/Agency Incident/Case	3. Phone Number	4. ORI
	Number     2019-887766	7175556666	UPPER ALLEN TWP
5. Street Address		7. State	8. Zip Code
100 Gettysburg Pike		Pennsylvania	17055
9. Accepting Officer/Designee Officer Friendly	N YES NO		12. Date 20190325

Relinquishment of Firearms Receipt sylvania State Police/Sheriff/Municipal Law Enforce Protection From Abuse Order

By completing the above information, I confirm that the Defendant has stated they are surrendering all weapons as required by the applicable court-issued Protection From Abuse Order. If PENDING/PARTLAL is checked, then remaining required weapons must be surrendered to an approved location within the required time allowed to be in combinance.

#### PROTECTION ORDER INFORMATION

13. Name of Plaintiff (Last, First, MI) of Jurisdiction Chaple, Christine 14. County Court of Jurisdiction Cumberland 90210 Order No. 070321 20190321 20200321
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#### DEFENDANT INFORMATION

ı	DEFENDANT INFORMATION					
l	18. Name (Last, First, MI) Kirk, James	19. Date of Birth 19700707	20. SSN (Optional)	21. Photo ID/Driver License No.		
l	22. Street Address 23. City 1 Captain Ln Mechanicsburg		24. State 25. Zip Code Pennsylvania 25. Zip Code 17055			
ı	26. Phone Number		27. Email address (If available)			

28. FIREARM(S) RELINQUISHED LISTING

Bond         00701         Good           BAR         m55m55         Fair	Make/Manufacturer/Description	Model	Caliber or Gauge	Serial Number	Condition
BAR m55m55 Fair		Bond		00701	Good
		BAR		m55m55	Fair
29 D1rtyHarry Good		29		DirtyHarry	Good

#### 29. AMMUNITION RELINQUISHED LISTING

ı	Туре	Quantity	Description/Details	Condition
ı	10MM	300		Good
ı	.30-06	275	For BAR	Good
ı	44 Magnum	100		Good

#### 30. OTHER WEAPON(S) RELINQUISHED LISTING

O. OTHER WEAFON(5) RELINQUISHED LISTING				
Description/Details	Quantity	Condition		
GOT Longclaw Sword	3256	Good		
Sting Sword	187	Good		
Machette	FT13TH4	Fair		

#### Defendant Signature

By signing below, I hereby certify that I am the lawful owner of the firearm(s), other weapon(s), or ammunition listed in this form and I concur with the listed condition. I also certify that I am relinquishing all firearms and any other weapon(s) or ammunition that the court has ordered me to relinquish.

(also acknowledge that if I want a firearm dealer to sell or transfer the firearm(s), other weapon(s), or ammunition listed on this elinquishment form, that they must be sold or transferred in accordance with 18 Pa.C.S., Chapter 61 (relating to firearms and other chapterous articles).

I will inform the Department/Agency of any change in my address or contact information.

I hereby certify that the foregoing statements and the information contained in this form are correct. This certificat subject to the penalties set forth in 18 Pa.C.S., § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Signature of Defendant (in ink): \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepting Officer/Designee Signature:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PRIVACY ACT NOTICE: Solicitation of this information is authorized under Title 23 Pa.C.S., § 6109.2. All informatio supplied, including your social security number, is confidential and not subject to public disclosure.

In the event the Defendant appears with relinquishments before the PFA was entered into PFAD, it is possible to create a relinquishment using No PFA on File Create New Relinquishment from the Relinquishments drop down menu\*.

\*Not all PFAD roles will have access to this menu.

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Search Cases					
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Relinquishments Not Linked To An Order					

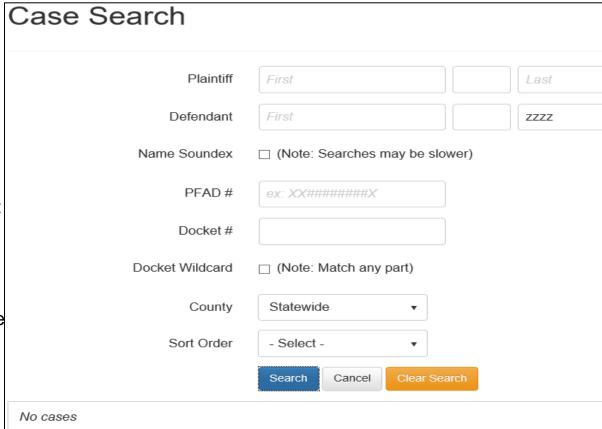
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Defendant	[First
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PFAD#	ex: XX#######X
Docket #	
Docket Wildcard	☐ (Note: Match any part)
County	Statewide •
Sort Order	- Select - ▼
	Search Cancel Clear Search
No cases	





Users selecting the above options must follow all of the steps to complete the relinquishment form

Enter the Docket # provided by the Defendant so the relinquishment can be matched to the case when it is entered by the court



Agencies shall create their own procedures for the storage of all relinquishments and related documents.



Relinquished firearms, ammunition, and other weapons are NOT to be entered as Confiscated or Recovered Guns in CLEAN/NCIC.

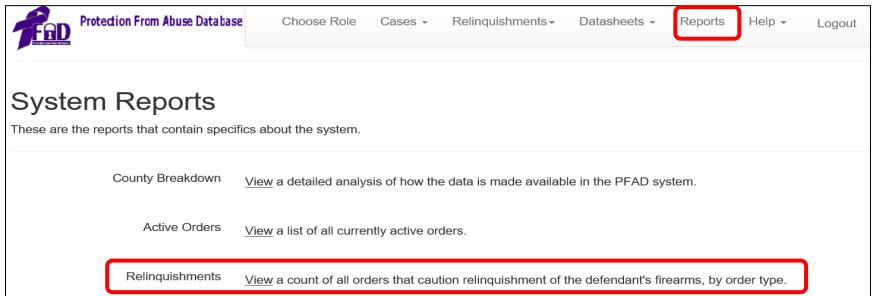
## Relinquishment Reports



#### Relinquishment Reports

Relinquishment reports can be found in the Reports section of the menu bar. This report makes it easy to see which PFAs your agency is receiving notifications for as well as which PFAs your agency may be responsible for.

You can select if you want to look at all relinquishments or just ones completed by your agency.



### Relinquishment Reports

County	All Counties 🗸	ORI	All ORIs 🗸	View Report
From		То		

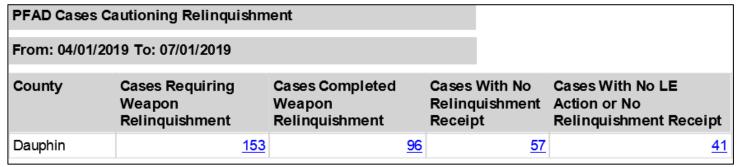
The Relinquishment Report can be run for individual counties or statewide.

The ORI can be selected for one agency or all agencies in the selected county.

The Date Range selection searches the <u>last update</u> made to the order.

Therefore results can show orders older than the range requested, but the last change to the order was made <u>within</u> your selected date range.





The results will be displayed showing:

- Total cases that require relinquishment
- The number of those total cases that have Weapons Relinquishment Receipts.
- The number of those total cases that have no Relinquishment Receipts that include the use of the "Disable Non-Compliance Notifications" checkbox.
- The number of those total cases with no action taken regards to the weapons.
- Clicking on the number will display the records.



The records are listed that include the agencies that receive notifications for each PFA that requires a weapon relinquishment.

Clicking on the blue **PFAD Number** will open a new window for the actual case.

PFAD Cases Rec	quiring Weapon Relind	quishments			
County	Docket Number	PFAD Number	Date	Defendant Name	Agencies Notified
Cumberland	22552255	XD006487948K		ROBERT NOGUNS	CARLISLE STATE POLICE, CUMBERLAND COUNTY SHERIFF
Cumberland	55443322	QH006488531C	06/20/19	EDWARD ROONEY	LOWER PAXTON TWP, MILLERSBURG, DAUPHIN COUNTY SHERIFF
Cumberland	90210	FS006486762G	03/22/19	JAMES KIRK	MECHANICSBURG, UPPER ALLEN TWP, CARLISLE STATE POLICE, CUMBERLAND COUNTY SHERIFF
Cumberland	D0CK3T	FR006487392E	03/31/19	WILLIAM BODDY	UPPER ALLEN TWP, CARLISLE STATE POLICE, CUMBERLAND COUNTY SHERIFF
Cumberland	ncc1701c	BJ006486641R	03/21/19	JOHN ROMULAN	MECHANICSBURG, UPPER ALLEN TWP, CARLISLE STATE POLICE, CUMBERLAND COUNTY SHERIFF

The agency responsible to ensure that the defendant relinquishes their weapons is the agency who has primary jurisdiction where the defendant lives.

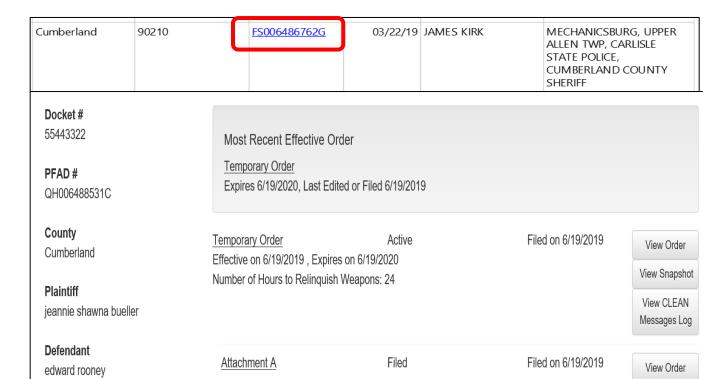


The Prothonotary or Agency responsible in the county to enter orders into the PFAD system are the ones who select which agencies are to be notified.

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					SHERIFF	
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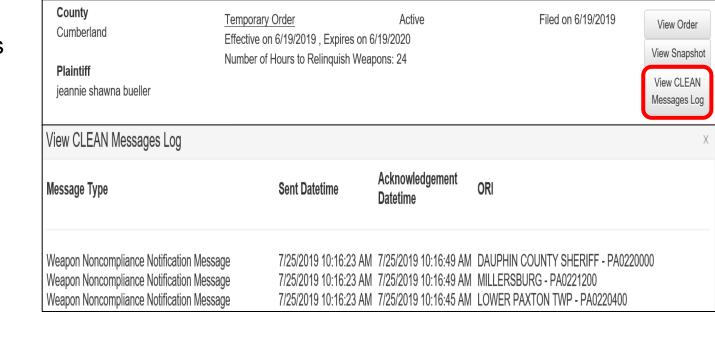
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case so you may
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information as well as
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orders to the case.



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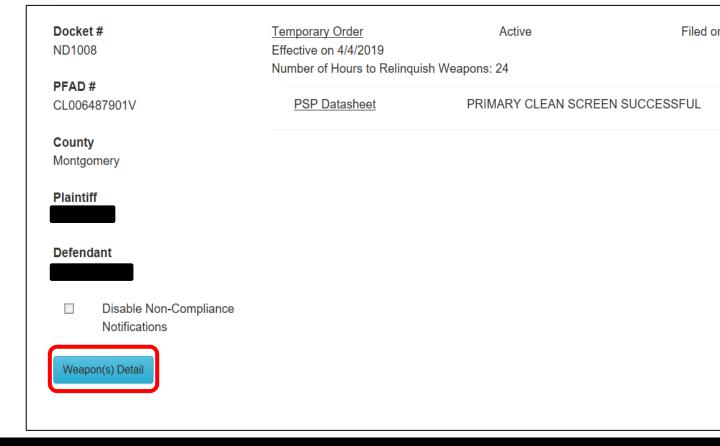


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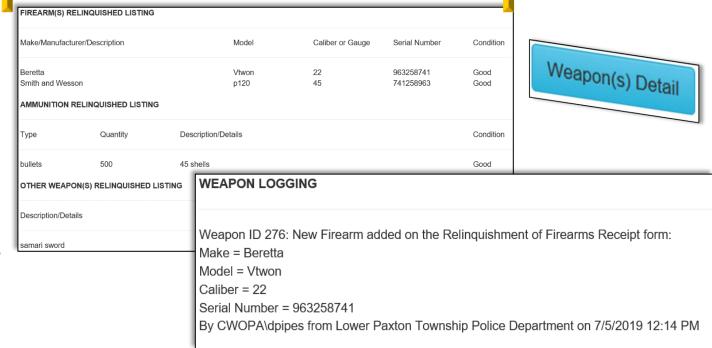
All information about what weapons were relinquished can be found in the Weapon(s) Detail report.





Weapon(s) Detail Report shows all weapons that were relinquished regardless of how many receipts were entered.

The report includes who entered the weapons as well as when the Non-Compliance messages were disabled.



Non-Compliance Enable/Disable Checkbox Log

User gritchey@pa.gov from agency PA State Police **disabled** non-compliance notifications checkbox on 7/29/2019 8:51 AM with reason: Test of the new report 7/29

User gritchey@pa.gov from agency PA State Police enabled non-compliance notifications checkbox on 7/29/2019 8:54 AM

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When Defendants choose relinquishment to a third party, the notarized affidavit must be reviewed and accepted by the county Sheriff's Office.

The notarized affidavit is to be complete. Provide a copy to the Defendant, then enter the information into PFAD.

If the Defendant relinquishes their firearms, ammunition and other weapons directly to a Sheriff's Office, see the Relinquishments section.

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Welcome Cameron Wilkinson (Local Law Enforcement) from Upper Allen Township Police Department in Cumberland County

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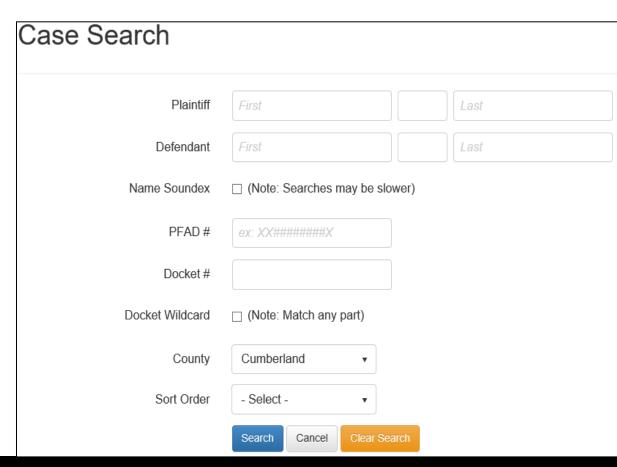
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#### COMMONWEALTH LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE NETWORK

A search can be made for the Plaintiff or the Defendant.

The County search defaults to the county of the Sheriff's Office, but can be set to Statewide for a broader search.



The results will be displayed below the search fields. Click View Case.

Keep in mind that a person can be the Defendant of multiple PFA Orders. Select the case that the Defendant is there for relinquishment. This can be determined by asking the Defendant the Plaintiff's name or looking for the Plaintiff's name on any documentation that the Defendant brought with them.

PFAD: FR006487392E, Docket: , County: Cumberland

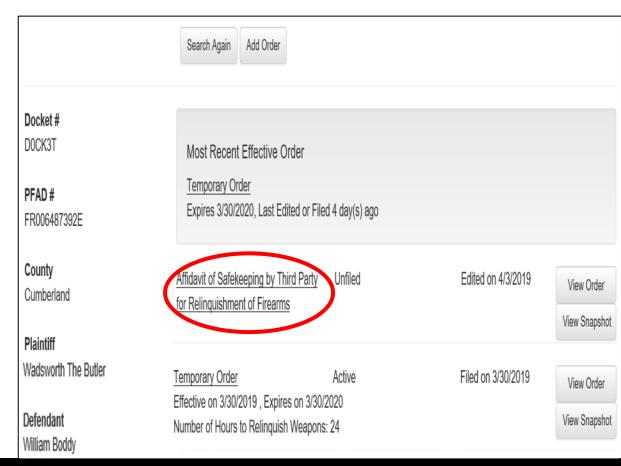
Wadsworth Butler (Plaintiff) William Boddy (Defendant) Updated 3/30/2019

View Case



Viewing the case will show the history of the PFA.

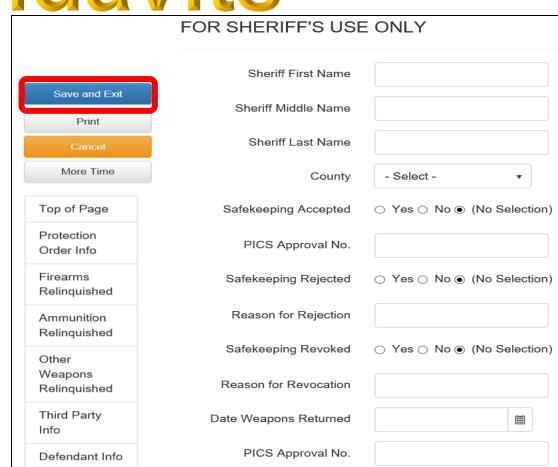
To complete the affidavit, click on the underlined title of the affidavit.



The fields are required as they would be on the paper form.

The screens differ slightly between the Dealer Affidavit and the Third Party Affidavit, as they do with the paper copies.

When complete, click Save and Exit.





Relinquished firearms, ammunition, and other weapons cannot be released until the PFA ordering their relinquishment expires or is dismissed. The below CLEAN message is sent to all agencies listed on the PFA Order when a PFA is dismissed or expires.

DISMISSED PFA ORDER - DISPOSITION OF FIREARMS/WEAPONS

**DEFENDANT: Joe Smith** 

PLAINTIFF: Joan Smith

Protection From Abuse Order #xxxxxxx was entered into the Protection From Abuse Database (PFAD). This order required the Defendant Joe Smith to relinquish firearms, ammunition and/or other weapons to the sheriff, appropriate law enforcement agency, or authorized third party for safekeeping.

On April 18, 2020, this order was either dismissed or has expired.

Any firearms, ammunition and/or other weapons relinquished may now be returned to the appropriate owner/requestor through the submission and processing of a Firearm Release Request (SP 4-410) through PFAD.

Release is subject to the recipient not having any prohibitors or firearms disabilities as determined by a PICS Background Check.

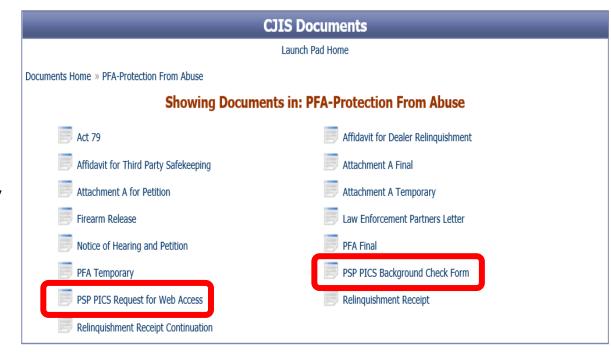
The above date is to be used to calculate the start of the abandonment process provided for in Title 23 of the Pennsylvania Consolidate Statutes Section 6128, Abandonment of firearms, weapons or ammunition.

Assistance on how to access and use the Firearm Release Request (SP 4-410) form through PFAD can be found by going to: https://www.pfad.pa.gov/System/UserManual

When the PFA is no longer valid, the Defendant may have their relinquishments returned. But firearms are subject to a PICS check.

This can be accomplished by faxing the applicable PICS form or using the PICS webbased application. Both of these forms are located on the CJIS Launch Pad.

HINT: The web is much faster for PICS processing.



CJIS Launchpad > CJIS Documents > PFA-Protection From Abuse



If the defendant is approved through PICS, then a "PICS Approval Number" will be generated. The number is needed to complete the Firearm Release Request form.

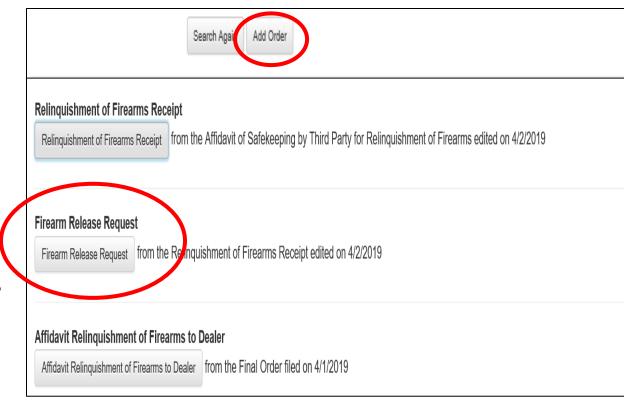
Look up the case the same way as when the firearms were relinquished.



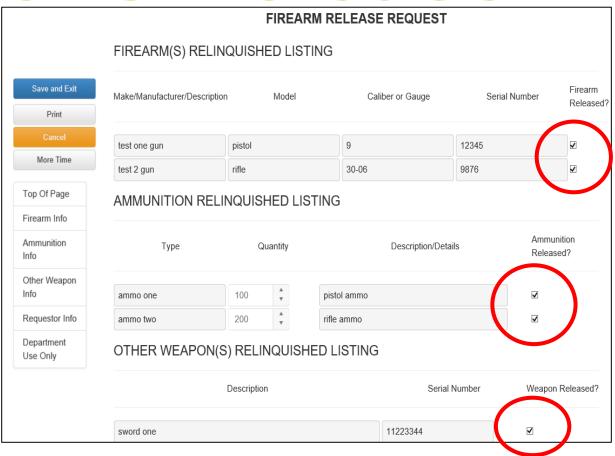


Once confirmed that the Defendant is eligible to have the firearms returned, click Add Order then Firearm Release Request.

This selection is only available once the PFA is in a state that allows release of any relinquished firearms.

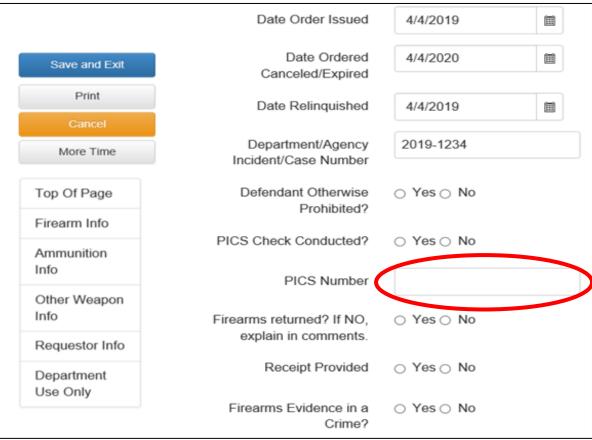


The form will be populated with information from the relinquishment. Select which relinquishments are being released by checking the Firearm/Ammunition/ Weapon Released? check boxes.



Enter your agency information and answer each question. "No Selection" will not be accepted by the system.

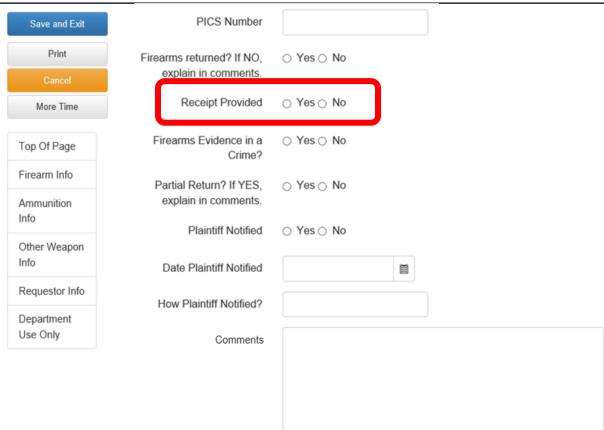
The PICS Approval Number that was obtained at the start of this process is entered here.



Receipt Provided –

The form, when printed, does not list the firearms that were released.

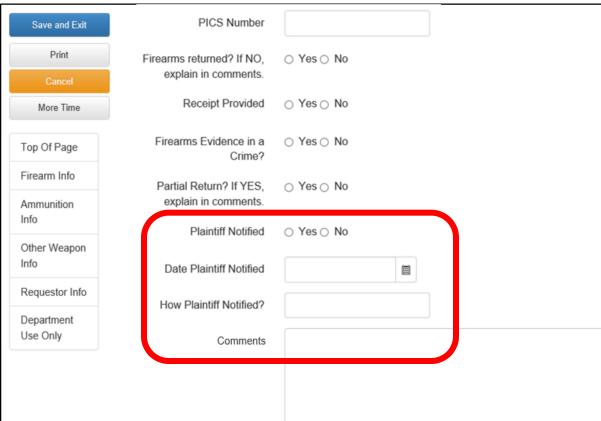
As an agency you may choose to supply a receipt of firearms, ammunition, or other weapons released to the Defendant.



An attempt **MUST** be made to notify the Plaintiff by LE when the relinquishments are released.

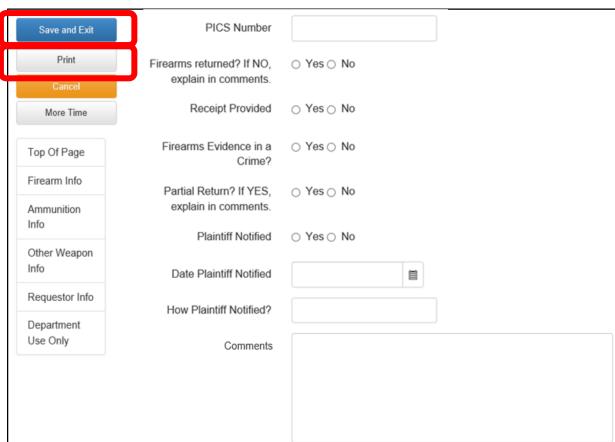
The comments section

MUST be filled out if the Plaintiff was not notified documenting what attempts were used to reach the Plaintiff.



Check that there are no errors on the form.

After the form is complete, click Print then Save and Exit.



The form is to be signed and dated by the releasing Sheriff or deputy.

The Defendant signs and dates as the Requestor.

If the Defendant's items were relinquished to a FFL Dealer or a Third Party, then the FFL Dealer or Third Party will need a copy of this signed form to release the relinquished items.

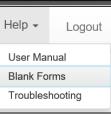
#### FIREARM RELEASE REQUEST

A. REQUESTOR INFORMAT	TION								
			First Na Weapon				Middle Initial	Suffix	
Street Address Someplace					City somewhere		State PA	Zip Code 17000	
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) 19200402	th (MM/DD/YYYY) Social Security Number (Optional)				Race	Sex	Driver License Number 321654		
Home Phone Number (Include A	rea Code)	Mobile Pho	ne Number (	Include	Area Co	de)	E-mail Addre	ss	
B. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF	F RETURN (S	ign in the pres	ence of Law	v Enforc	cement (	Officer/	Designee)		
By signing below, I am confirm reference in the above Protecti relinquished. I agree I will not value of the fiearm(s), other wo I also certify that I am not prohib relinquished item will be returned	on Order Num hold the Depa eapon(s), or an oited by state or d to me unless	nber and that artment or Age nmunition.	they are in tency identifi	the same	e condit w liable frearm fo	ion as w for any	then they were damage or re-	duction in	
Pennsylvania Instant Check Syst  Requester Signature  Returning Officer/Designee sig  Officer/Designee Signature	ns below:					Dat	•		
C. DEPARTMENT/AGENCY	USE ONLY								
Department/Agency Name wehavethem PD					one Nun 7555999			ORI	
Street Address 123 dirt road	City nowhere		State PA		p Code 999				
Processing Officer/Designee Name Deputy Dog	Badge Num 6714	Badge Number (If applicable) 6714			Date 20190424				
Protection Order Number Test20190402A1	Date Order 20190401	Date Order Issued 20190401			Date order Canceled/Expired 20190403				
Date Relinquished 20190402	Number	Department/Agency Incident/Case Number Test20190402A1			Defendant Otherwise Prohibited?  XYES NO				
PICS Check Conducted?  X YES NO	PICS Numb 556677	PICS Number 556677			Firearms returned? If NO, explain in comments.  X YES NO				
Receipt Provided? YES X NO	YES	Firearms Evidence in a Crime?  YES X NO			Partial Return? If YES, explain in comments.  YES X NO				
Plaintiff Notified? X YES NO	Date Plainti 20190405	Date Plaintiff Notified 20190405			How Plaintiff Notified? via telephone				
Comments Plaintiff was not as happy as the	Defendant was								



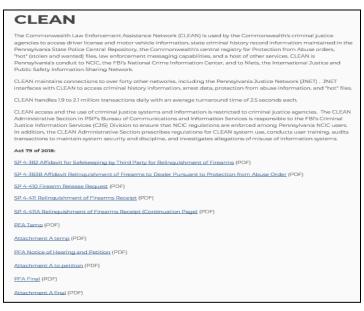
#### **Location of Forms**

Paper forms that are mentioned in this training are accessed in PFAD in the Help menu.



Printable versions of all the forms needed for relinquishment of items and their release are also available online at:

https://www.psp.pa.gov/law-enforcement-services/Pages/Commonwealth-Law-Enforcement-Assistance-Network.aspx





CJIS Launch Pad > CJIS Documents > PFA-Protection From Abuse

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Attachment A Final	Attachment A for Petition					
Attachment A Temporary	Firearm Release					
Law Enforcement Partners Letter	Notice of Hearing and Petition					
PFA Final	PFA Temporary					
Relinquishment Receipt	Relinquishment Receipt Continuation					
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