#### INSTRUCTIONS: AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION TO RESTRICT PUBLIC ACCESS TO PERSONAL INFORMATION (FOR USE BY THOSE LISTED BELOW)

### **USE THIS FORM IF:**

- 1. You are eligible to apply for the relief under A.R.S. §§ 11-483, 11-484, 12-290, 16-153 and/or 28-454 as a(n):
  - Address Confidentiality Program Participant
  - Border Patrol Agent
  - Code Enforcement Officer
  - Commission on Appellate Court Appointments Member
  - Commissioner
  - Corrections or Detention Officer
  - Corrections Support Staff
  - County Attorney or Former County Attorney
  - Department of Child Safety Employee
  - Executive Clemency Board Member
  - Firefighter assigned to the Department of Public Safety Counter Terrorism Information Center
  - Former Public Official

- Hearing Officer (pursuant to A.R.S. §28-1553)
- Judge or Former Judge
- Justice
- Law Enforcement Support Staff
- National Guard Member supporting a Law Enforcement Agency
- Peace Officer or Peace Officer's Spouse
- Probation Officer
- Prosecutor or Former Prosecutor
- Public Defender
- Spouse or minor child of a Deceased Peace Officer

# AND

2. You can show facts sufficient to establish that either your life or safety or the life or safety of your family or other person living at your primary residence is in danger of physical harm and that granting the public access restrictions specified in these statutes will reduce this danger.

# TO COMPLETE THIS FORM, YOU WILL NEED:

- A. To restrict public access to your identifying information and documents in property-related records maintained by the County Recorder, Assessor or Treasurer:
  - The full legal description and book, map, and parcel number of your home.
  - The document locator number and date of recordation of each document on file with these agencies that you want to protect, and
- B. To restrict public access to your identifying information and documents in voter registration records:
  - The full legal name and date of birth of everyone with whom you reside whose voting records you wish to have protected. In some circumstances, you also may need to attach new voter registration forms (see information under item 12 below).
- C. To restrict public access to your identifying information and documents in Motor Vehicle Division (MVD)

records: The date of birth and driver's license number or state identification number for yourself and anyone with whom you reside whose MVD records you wish to have protected, this may include business entities that use your home address to conduct their affairs.

# HOW TO COMPLETE THE AFFIDAVIT FORM:

TYPE OR PRINT NEATLY USING **BLACK INK**. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL MANDATORY FORM, DO NOT ALTER THE FORMAT, PAGINATION, OR LINE NUMBERING, OR SUBMIT THIS FORM AS A DOUBLE-SIDED DOCUMENT. You may add extra pages if needed to provide complete information under any item.

All applicants must fill in items 1 - 6, item 7 (if applicable), 8 and 9. Determine which type(s) of records you want to protect, and

- A. Complete items 10 and 11 if you want to restrict public access to your property-related records maintained by the County Recorder, County Assessor, and County Treasurer.
- B. Complete item 12 if you want to restrict public access to your voting records; you also may need to include new voter registration forms (see instructions below).
- C. Complete items 13 and 14 if you want to restrict public access to your MVD records.

Match each numbered item in the instructions with the same numbered item on the affidavit.

- **1.** Fill in your full legal name.
- 2. Check the box for each type of record you are seeking to protect.
- 3. Check the box that describes your job.
- 4. Provide the name of the law enforcement or other public agency that employs or employed you.
- 5. Provide your job title, a description of your duties, and how you qualify under statute.
- **6.** Explain why you believe your life or safety or that of someone who lives with you is in danger of physical harm.
- 7. If you want the court to act immediately on your affidavit, explain why immediate protection is needed. Applicable statutes provide that in the absence of a request for immediate action supported by facts justifying an earlier consideration, the presiding judge may rule on the application at the end of each quarter.
- 8. Explain why the danger you described in item 6 will be reduced by restricting public access to your identifying information and documents in the public records you identified in item 2.
- 9. Fill in your home address. This must be the address of your primary residence, not a secondary property you own or use only occasionally.
- **10.** If you want to protect property-related records maintained by the County Recorder, Assessor, and/or Treasurer, provide the parcel number, book, map, and full legal description of your primary residence.
- 11. If you want to protect property-related records maintained by the County Recorder, Assessor, and/or Treasurer, and

provide the document locator number and recording date of each instrument to be withheld from public access. The document locator number is also known as the recording number.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Do not include records that identify only your spouse or some other owner of the property where you reside. You are responsible for ensuring that <u>all</u> your records are listed. The County cannot withhold any documents that you have not identified in your affidavit.

**12.** You have the option of requesting that your household members' identifying information and documents be protected from public access in voting records. To do this, fill in the full name and birth date of each person to be protected on the lines provided. Check the box next to each name if you want to add these individuals to the Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL). You may be required to attach a completed voter registration form for yourself and these individuals (see below for more information):

**PLEASE NOTE:** There are two circumstances in which new voter registration forms need to be attached to this affidavit:

- A. If addresses are changing from what is currently on the voter registration form. The elections office needs to be able to contact voters by mail; therefore, if there is an address change you need to attach to your affidavit a new voter registration form for each person in the household whose information will be protected. The new registration forms must include a home address (which will be redacted). You have the option to provide an alternate "mailing" address on the voter registration form such as an office address or P.O. Box. If no alternate address is listed, your election materials will be mailed to the residence address on file. *Do not use your employer's mailing address for any members of your household if your employer has not agreed to accept mail on their behalf. If a mailing from the elections office is returned by the Post Office for incorrect address, the household members' names will be moved to an "inactive" voter list, and they may no longer receive election materials by mail, including mail-in ballots.*
- **B.** If you want to add yourself or your household members to the Permanent Early Voter List (PEVL). If your request for protection is granted you should always vote by mail in the future to maintain that protection. Should you go to the polls to vote, you will have to vote a provisional ballot, and a publiclyaccessible record of voter information will be created which the registrar will not be able to protect. The PEVL is a way for voters to automatically receive an early ballot by mail for all elections in which the county voter registration rolls are used to prepare the voter list. A new voter registration form is necessary to be added to the PEVL. *Participation in the PEVL is merely a convenience for voters and is not a requirement for receiving record protection*.
- **13.** If you want to protect your MVD records, provide your name, birth date, and driver's license number or state identification number.
- 14. You have the option of requesting that your household members' identifying information and documents be protected from public access in MVD records, including legal entities such as a corporation, partnership, or trust that uses your home address and may be the registered owner of a motor vehicle. Type or print the full name, birth date, and driver's license or state identification number of each person whose records you want to protect. For legal entities, provide the name and the customer number issued by MVD to that entity. If any household members you list are employed as peace officers, they should complete their own affidavits to ensure that MVD will restrict public access to their photograph pursuant to A.R.S. § 28-454(I).

### WHEN YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE AFFIDAVIT:

Date and sign the affidavit in the presence of a notary public. The affidavit must be filed with the presiding superior court judge of the county in which you reside. Give your affidavit to the commanding officer or supervisor responsible for filing it on your behalf.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED** this process is designed to protect your identifying information and documents in a limited class of public records ONLY. If your application is granted, your identifying information and documents may still be publicly-accessible in other public records and commercially-available databases. The length of time your information can be protected will vary depending on the agency involved. You are urged to read all applicable statutes and contact each of the participating agencies directly to determine the consequences and on-going responsibilities associated with restricting public access to your information.