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I've been discharged, but I'm still required to register as an offender. Am I eligible to vote?

Yes. Even if you must register as an offender, you are still eligible to vote once you have completed all the terms of your probation or parole and have been discharged from supervision.

Do I have to fill out different paperwork if I want to register to vote as someone with a criminal record?

No. The voter registration form includes an affidavit above the signature line attesting that an individual's right to vote has been restored. If you are not sure if you have been discharged from probation, contact the county court where your criminal case was filed before signing the affidavit. Signing a false affidavit can result in criminal penalties.

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