

January 7, 2021

TO: Judges, Commissioners, County Clerks, Court Administrators,

Court Facilitators, Libraries, Attorneys, and the Public

FROM: Ashley Tam, AOC Senior Legal Analyst

RE: Summary of Changes for Juvenile Court Form Corrections

(January 2021)

The Administrative Office of the Courts has published two corrected Juvenile Court Forms and made the following changes. (Underlines indicate additions and strikethroughs indicated deletions.)

JU 07.0800 Order on Adjudication and Disposition

4.22 Notice Concerning Ability to Administratively Seal This Case Later

No Sealing Hearing Set Due to Offense: One or more offenses in Section II involve - (a) a <u>most</u> serious <u>violent</u> offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030; (b) a sex offense as defined in chapter 9A.44 RCW; or, (c) a felony drug offense (other than possession under RCW 69.50.4013 and forged prescription under RCW 69.50.403). Therefore, the juvenile is not entitled to an administrative sealing. Nothing prevents the juvenile from asking the court to seal this case pursuant to chapter 13.50 RCW or GR 15 at a later date, when and if qualified.

JU 07.0820 Advice on Rights Regarding Juvenile Records

1.2 Administrative Sealing:

The Respondent is eligible for administrative sealing of the court records in the case if:

None of the offenses in this case is: (a) a <u>most</u> serious violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, (b) a sex offense as defined in chapter 9A.44 RCW, or (c) a felony drug offense (other than possession under RCW 69.50.4013 and forged prescription under RCW 69.50.403);

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> The Respondent is not required to appear at the administrative sealing hearing. At the administrative sealing hearing, the juvenile court will seal the case unless the court finds:

> (a) One or more of the offenses in this case involve: (a) a <u>most</u> serious violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, (b) a sex offense as defined in chapter 9A.44 RCW, or, (c) a felony drug offense (other than possession under RCW 69.50.4013 and forged prescription under RCW 69.50.403);

The updated versions of both forms have file names, ending in "_2021 01 07" (rather than "_2021 01").

The Juvenile Court Forms are located at: http://www.courts.wa.gov/forms/?fa=forms.static&staticID=14#JuvCourt

To provide feedback about our Summary of Changes or our court forms, please complete our online form at:

http://www.courts.wa.gov/forms/?fa=forms.formsComments.