Executive Department



RESTORATION OF CITIZENSHIP

To All to Whom these Presents Shall Come - Greetings

Know Ye, that by authority in me vested by law, I, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, in the name and by the authority of the people thereof, do hereby restore the rights of citizenship, including that of voting and qualification to hold public office, to any person who forfeited those rights by conviction of an infamous crime, except for a violation of chapter 707 of the Iowa Code, and who discharges his or her sentence on August 6, 2020.

For purposes of this restoration, a person has discharged his or her sentence upon completion of any term of confinement, parole, probation, or other supervised release for all felony convictions, and completion of any special sentence imposed pursuant to chapter 903B, and this restoration shall be effective immediately upon the discharge of sentence. This restoration shall apply to convictions of an infamous crime in any jurisdiction, including felony convictions in federal court or the court of another state, to the extent that the conviction has resulted in the forfeiture of citizenship rights in Iowa.

This Restoration does not restore rights with respect to firearms as provided in chapter 724 of the Iowa Code, does not grant an absolute pardon, does not relieve an individual from paying fines, costs, restitution, or other monetary obligations resulting from a criminal conviction, and does not operate as a bar to greater penalties for second offenses, subsequent convictions, or conviction as a habitual offender. This restoration does not restore the rights of citizenship in another jurisdiction unless the other jurisdiction requires the restoration of citizenship rights in Iowa because of a person's Iowa felony conviction.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed by name and affixed The Great Seal of the State of Iowa at the Capitol, in the City of Des Moines, this August 6, 2020.

Kim Reynolds, Governor