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The Petition must be completed and returned to Court to start the process

The court will obtain a driving record and access other essential reports to determine if the Petitioner qualifies for the license.

After this evaluation, the Court will contact the Petitioner with pertinent information and arrange Court date.

The Minimum cost of getting a License is:

- \$222.00 for the filling fees
- Reinstatement fees (\$100 and up)
- Cost of License \$10.00 to 20.00

SR-22 Insurance form is due at Court date.

Court dates will generally be done on approved petition's on Thursday afternoon or by appointment.

DWI offense of Misdemeanor A and above will generally require a Ignition Interlock device.

CAUSE NO. _____

EX PARTE:

IN THE COUNTY COURT

RUSK COUNTY, TEXAS

PETITION FOR ESSENTIAL NEEDS DRIVER'S LICENSE

I, _____ (Name of Petitioner), seek an essential needs license for the based on the information provided below. (You must swear that information you provide is true and correct. Failure to provide true and accurate information may result in criminal penalties.)

Section 1, General Information,

You must complete all applicable sections.

My name is: _____

My date of birth is: _____

I am a resident of: _____ County, Texas

My home address is: _____

My mailing address (if different than above) is: _____

My Texas drivers's License number is: _____

My last four digits of my Social Security Numbers is: _____

My Telephone number is: _____

I am employed at: _____

My occupation is: _____

I am the primary caretaker of _____ Children under the age of 16.

Have you been ordered by a court or probation to install an ignition interlock device on your vehicle, and/ or not to operate any vehicle which not equipped with an ignition interlock device. _____

Do you have a commercial driver's license? _____

Section 2. Reason(s) for Driver's License Suspension.

You must complete all applicable sections.

My driver's license has been suspended as the result of an arrest for an intoxication-related offense in _____ County,

Because:

___ A peace officer requested a sample of my breath or blood and I refused;

___ I provided a sample of my breath or blood, and the sample contained and alcohol concentration greater than .08.

___ My driver's license has been automatically suspended as the result of a conviction for DWI in a County or District Court in the State of Texas.

My driver's license has been suspended as the result of a conviction for a criminal offense in a justice or municipal court. Please provide information below regarding the offense. _____

___ My driver's license has been suspended as the result of a physical or mental disability.

___ My driver's license has been suspended because a court found that I am a "habitual violator of traffic laws."

My driver's license has been suspended for another reason, describe below.

Section 3, Essential Need

You must complete all applicable sections.

(Note: in order to obtain an Essential needs/occupation license, you must demonstrate a need to operate a motor vehicle. The Texas Transportation Code defines "essential need" as the "need of a person for the operation of a motor vehicle: (A) in the performance of an occupation or trade; (B) or for transportation to and from an educational facility in which the person is enrolled; or (C) in the performance of essential household duties."

I am seeking the Essential Needs/Occupation license in order to (check all that apply)

- Travel to and from my place of work
- Perform the duties of my job
- Travel to and from school
- Perform essential household duties

In the space below, provide an address and description for destinations you seek to travel using and occupation/essential needs license.

My work or school schedule is the same every week. I work or attend school during the following hours. Monday thru Sundays 7 days a week; Describe: _____

My Work or school schedule varies from week to week or day t to day please provide description of work and/or school schedule below.

My job duties include vehicle travel to perform the following tasks:

I perform the following essential household duties:

I must travel by vehicle to or through the following Texas Counties:

Section 4, Suspension History

You must complete all applicable sections:

My driver's license has previously been suspended for:

____ A second or subsequent conviction for Driving While Intoxicated (Section 49.04, Penal Code); Intoxication Assault (Section 49.07, Penal Code), or Intoxication Manslaughter (Section 49.08, Penal Code), committed within five years of previous conviction for Driving While Intoxicated (Section 49.04, Penal Code); Intoxication Assault (Section 49.07, Penal Code), Intoxication Man slaughter (Section 49.08, Penal Code).

In the past five years, my license has been suspended for:

___ A refusal to submit to a breath or blood specimen following an arrest for an offense prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle or watercraft while intoxicated or under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance.

___ An analysis of a breath or blood specimen showing an alcohol concentration of .08 or above. Following an arrest for an offense prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle or watercraft.

___ Have you EVER been stopped for DWI or Driving on the influence

Section 5, Additional Documents.

You must complete all applicable sections.

___ You have obtained evidence of Financial responsibility, (SR22) which is attached to my petition. (Note you will not be issued on occupational/essential needs license unless you obtain a SR22 showing financial responsibility)

___ I have attached other documents which demonstrate my essential need to drive.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Petitioner prays that this Honorable Court grant this Petition for Occupational/Essential needs License, and send a copy of its order granting petitioner's occupational/ Essential Needs license to the Department of Public Safety of Texas.

Petitioner's Signature

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME ON THIS ___ DAY OF _____, 20___.

Notary Public