

## State of New Jersey NEW JERSEY STATE PAROLE BOARD

## **Certificate of Good Conduct**

## **INFORMATIONAL SHEET**

**<u>Definition</u>** (Per <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 10A:71-8.1)

The Certificate of Good Conduct is a document issued by the State Parole Board to assist the rehabilitation of convicted offenders by removing impediments and restrictions upon their ability to obtain proposed employment.

The Certificate of Good Conduct does not imply pardon and under no circumstances is it to be construed as forgiving, absolving or mitigating the offense(s).

Issuance of a Certificate of Good Conduct pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2A:168A-1, et seq. precludes a licensing authority, as defined in <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2A:168A-2, from disqualifying or discriminating against the applicant because of any conviction for a crime unless <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2C:51-2 is applicable.

## Eligibility (Per N.J.A.C. 10A:71-8.2)

An application for a Certificate of Good Conduct shall not be entertained unless the applicant meets all of the following requirements:

- 1. The applicant previously was supervised by the State Parole Board or is presently supervised by the State Parole Board.
- 2. If the applicant is presently supervised by the State Parole Board, at least one (1) year must have expired since commencement of supervision by the State Parole Board.
- 3. The applicant has not been convicted of a new crime within (5) years from the date of application.
- 4. The applicant has no pending charges or outstanding warrants.
- 5. The applicant is not presently incarcerated.
- 6. At least two (2) years have passed since the date any similar application was denied, unless the State Parole Board determines that significant information exists which provides a basis for a waiver of this limitation.