

**Application for Exemption From the Provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14-7a (NJ First Act)**

**Employee Residency Review Committee (ERRC)**  
c/o Department of Labor & Workforce Development  
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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete the application (typing or printing legibly). Submit the application and supporting documentation via email or using the address above. (Email is preferred; general USPS mail typically is not received for four to six weeks.) Upon receipt, applicants receive an email detailing the hearing process. Once placed on an agenda, all supporting documentation **MUST** be submitted no less than seven (7) business days before the scheduled hearing. [\* = Required fields.]

APPLICANT INFORMATION					
Last Name*			First Name*		Middle Initial
Current Street Address*			Job Title*		
City*	State*	Zip Code*	Daytime Phone*	Email Address *	
EMPLOYER INFORMATION					
Employer Name*				First day of work*	
Human Resources Contact Name & Title*			Daytime Phone*	HR Contact Email*	
City*	State*	Zip Code*			
APPLICATION DETAILS					
<p>Exemptions granted by the ERRC may not be transferable to new employment and do not affect an employer's requirement that employees report to work in person (e.g., an exemption does not authorize telework).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ If seeking an exemption based upon <u>employer critical need</u>, you must include an employer-authorized letter written by a director, department head, equivalent or higher; it must be on official letterhead; dated no more than 90 days prior; be signed by hand (not typed or inserted photo signature); and explain the nature of your employer's critical need.</li><li>▪ If seeking an exemption based upon <u>hardship</u>, you must include a personal statement summarizing the hardship's nature and include supporting documentation that is no more than 90 days old.</li><li>▪ Requests for exemption are now heard monthly via teleconference. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.nj.gov/labor/research-info/njfirst.shtml">https://www.nj.gov/labor/research-info/njfirst.shtml</a>.</li><li>▪ If you have previously sought an exemption, indicate month and year: _____</li></ul>					
APPLICANT CERTIFICATION					
<p>By my <b>hand-written</b> (not typed) signature below, I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the preceding statements and any information provided in support of this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.</p>					
X _____*			_____*		
Applicant Signature			Date		