

Criminal History Information

I have read this form in its entirety and understand that the information will be verified by CASA of the Sabine Neches Region, and that the inclusion of any false information or the omission of any requested information is cause for my immediate dismissal by CASA of the Sabine Neches Region. I understand that CASA of the Sabine Neches Region will ask all volunteers to complete criminal records fingerprint check which will reveal any arrest, charge, or conviction. (The fact that you have completed deferred adjudication or that your arrest, charge, or conviction has been dismissed, vacated, pardoned, or expunged does not mean you can answer “no”) Failure to disclose any and all information regarding your criminal history could result in non-acceptance to the program or dismissal from the training program should undisclosed criminal history be discovered during that time period. I agree to inform CASA of the Sabine Neches Region if this information changes. Any applicant found to be convicted, or having charges pending for, a felony or misdemeanor involving a sex offense, child abuse or neglect, or related acts that would pose risks to children or the CASA program’s credibility is not accepted as a CASA volunteer.

I acknowledge that I am providing the following information related thereto:

1. I **have** **have not** been charged or convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor. If your answer is affirmative (i.e.: you HAVE been charged or convicted), please give details below:

Date	Offense/Nature of Charge or Conviction	Location	Details & Disposition
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2. I **am** **am not** currently under indictment or charged in an official criminal complaint accepted by a district or county attorney with a felony or misdemeanor. If your answer is affirmative (i.e.: you ARE under indictment), please give details below:

Date	Charges	Location	Details
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I understand that I will not receive reimbursement for my fingerprint check if I do not disclose my criminal history in this application, or if CASA of the Sabine Neches Region determines my criminal history and/or Child Protective Services history disqualifies me from becoming a volunteer. I understand that I will receive my reimbursement only upon completion of the requirements to become certified to serve as a CASA Companion.

Name (Please Print)

Signature of Volunteer

Date

Volunteer Acknowledgement Form & Release for Criminal Background Checks

I hereby certify that the information submitted in this application is correct and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize CASA of the Sabine Neches Region to investigate my background as part of the screening process to determine my fitness / appropriateness as a potential volunteer. I authorize CASA of the Sabine Neches Region to secure the following record checks: Social Security number verification; criminal records from the court jurisdiction in which I currently reside and work; state criminal records; FBI or other national criminal database; National Sex Offender Registry; and, Child Abuse Registry or Child Protective Services check where permissible by law. I give my permission for my references to be checked which may include past employers, volunteer organizations and personal references. I understand that all the information will be held in strict confidence and used only for the purpose of determining my suitability as a volunteer. I understand that not all applicants who apply to be a volunteer are chosen to participate in the program and that CASA of the Sabine Neches Region reserves the right to deny an applicant into the volunteer program for any reason. If a volunteer applicant refuses to sign a release of information form or submit the required information or fingerprints for any of the checks required, the CASA program will reject the applicant.

I understand that qualities of a successful CASA volunteer include interpersonal skills, compassion, punctuality, and reliability. I further understand that if concerns arise, CASA reserves the right to reject an applicant at any time, including during the training process or after certification.

As a CASA Companion I will be willing to: (Please check each box for "Yes")

- Commit to assist the Volunteer Advocate only within the limits allowed.
- Complete the CASA Companion training program and participate in 2 hrs CEU training annually
- Abide by CASA's Policies and Procedures
- Agree to allow the program to investigate my background and history, including on-line activity and public social media accounts, community clubs/organizations I am currently or previously associated with. I understand these investigations are for the purpose of ensuring the safety of children in care.

If unforeseen circumstances prevent me from fulfilling this goal, I will submit my written resignation to the Program Director with as much advance notice as possible.

Name (Please Print)

Signature

Date

Thank you for completing this volunteer application for CASA of the Sabine Neches Region!

Submit completed form to:

email to dmoffett@casasnr.org

fax to (409) 886-0527

deliver to 2120 Gloria Dr., Orange TX 77630