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**FROM:** Karen E. Rushing, Clerk of the Circuit Court and County Comptroller

**RE:** **CHANGE IN PROCEDURE FOR PETITIONERS OF NAME CHANGE ACTIONS  
Effective Oct 1, 2009**

As a result of recent legislation, Florida Senate Bill 258, effective October 1, 2009, changes the provisions of s.68.07, F.S requiring that a person filing a petition for change of name submit fingerprints for a state and national criminal history records check before the court hearing on the petition. Following are instructions for petitioners of name change actions:

- The petitioner's finger prints must be taken and electronically submitted to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) for processing of a state and national background check.
- The Clerk is providing you with a listing of FDLE verified service providers as a resource. The service provider will electronically submit the petitioner's fingerprints by scanning and transmitting them on specialized equipment, or they will electronically submit the petitioner's fingerprints by scanning a fingerprint card on specialized equipment. Some vendors can provide service for both methods of electronically submitting fingerprints.
- When a petitioner selects a service provider and method to electronically scan and submit fingerprints, they will need to contact the service provider to make an appointment to proceed.
- When a petitioner selects a service provider and uses the method to have a completed fingerprint card scanned, the petitioner will need to have finger prints taken by a law enforcement agency. A fingerprint card is provided at no charge by the Clerk's office. Once your fingerprints are taken, you will need to contact the service provider for their mailing address and other contact information.
- The Sarasota County Sheriff's Office must use the fingerprint card provided by the Clerk's office and take your finger prints. Fingerprinting is done at the Sarasota Jail from 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Monday - Friday and the Sheriff's fee is \$5.00 (cash only); contact the Sheriff's Office at (941) 861-4704 with any questions or to verify times of operation, and current fee.
- The fee for a state and national criminal history records check is \$43.25 (FDLE fee \$24.00; FBI fee \$19.25) with fees paid to the service provider. Each service provider has their own fee schedule; petitioners should contact the service provider directly to verify current fees.

- Once fingerprints are electronically submitted to the FDLE, results of the state and national criminal history records check are electronically sent to the Clerk's office (typically within two to three business days).
- Results of background checks will be made part of the court record, and therefore will be available to the Court for review.

**Fingerprint processing providers offering services in Sarasota County**

Please note: The Clerk's office provides the following information as a resource and aid to inquiring citizens only. Information provided within this document includes a list of Livescan Device Vendors who have voluntarily chosen to have their device (equipment) and electronic fingerprint data submissions evaluated by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) to verify compliance with both FDLE and Federal Bureau of Investigation regulations and standards. Inclusion in this list is not an endorsement or recommendation of one product or business over another and does not imply any rating, ranking, or certification of the products or businesses themselves. This list is offered for information purposes only, to indicate that technical specifications for electronic submission of fingerprints to FDLE have been satisfied. The listing of products or businesses should not be interpreted to mean they have been approved by FDLE or the Sarasota County Clerk of the Circuit Court to the exclusion of any other products or businesses. The vendors below have responded to contact by the Sarasota Clerk's office and indicated that they provide service in Sarasota County. For a complete list of Livescan Device Vendors evaluated by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), visit [www.fdle.state.fl.us](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us) (click on *Request a Criminal History*).

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>	<b>PHONE</b>	<b>EMAIL</b>	<b>ELECTRONIC SCAN</b>	<b>FINGERPRINT CARD</b>
ALPHA OMEGA BIOMETRICS MOBILE DIVISION	David Noble	800-998-8289	<a href="mailto:info@alphaomegabionometrics.com">info@alphaomegabionometrics.com</a>	Yes	No
IDEAL IDENTIFICATION	Bob Smedley	866-288-6543	<a href="mailto:bsmedley@idealid.net">bsmedley@idealid.net</a> <a href="http://www.idealid.net">www.idealid.net</a>	No	Yes
L-1 IDENTITY SERVICES	Customer Service Center	(800) 528-1358	<a href="http://www.L1enrollment.com">http://www.L1enrollment.com</a>	Yes	Yes
FLORIDA'S RAPID FINGERPRINTING SERVICE	Alicia Triquet	850-597-2667	<a href="mailto:treekay33@aol.com">treekay33@aol.com</a>	Yes	No