

# I HAVE A FELONY CONVICTION

## What are my voting rights in Alabama?

TO FIND OUT, ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW.



1. Do you have an uncommuted death sentence, or were you impeached (and convicted) or found guilty of treason?

Yes

You have permanently lost your voting rights.

No

2. Do you have any of these felony convictions?

Yes

To restore your voting rights, you have to get a pardon. Apply at your local pardons and paroles office.

Enticing a child for immoral purposes  
Incest  
Murder  
Parents or guardians permitting children to engage in obscene matter  
Possession of obscene matter  
Possession with intent to distribute child pornography  
Production of obscene matter  
Rape  
Sexual abuse or torture  
Sodomy  
Soliciting a child by electronic means

No

You're entitled to a Certificate of Eligibility to Register to Vote (CERV) if you have no felony charges pending and you've satisfied money owed (minus collection fees) and sentencing requirements (including probation or parole) for all CERV-eligible convictions. If you meet these requirements, you can get a CERV, even if you're not eligible to apply for a full pardon.

Apply for a CERV (or voting rights pardon) at your local pardons and paroles office, or get no-cost help from the League of Women Voters of Alabama or Greater Birmingham Ministries —see contact info below.

3. Do you have any "CERV-Eligible" convictions?

Yes

Once you receive your CERV in the mail, take a copy of it to your local registrar's office and register to vote.

See page 2 of this handout. *The only drug-related conviction on page 2 is trafficking.*

No

4. Do you have a felony conviction NOT listed above or on page 2 of this handout? Or is your conviction a misdemeanor?

Yes

You can vote! Have your local registrar update your registration information, or visit [alabamavotes.gov](http://alabamavotes.gov).

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For assistance free of charge, contact the League of Women Voters of Alabama

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## CERV-Eligible Felony Convictions (page 2 of Voting Rights Handout)

*Note: A misdemeanor conviction under any of these statutes does not take away your voting rights.*

Aggravated child abuse (Alabama Code section 26-15-3.1)

Aggravated theft by deception (13A-8-2.1)

Assault 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree (13A-6-20 or -21, except 13A-6-20 (a)(5))

Attempt to commit an explosives, destructive device, bacteriological or biological weapons crime (13A-10-197)

Bigamy (13A-13-1)

Burglary 1st or 2nd degree (13A-7-5 or 13A-7-6)

Conspiracy to commit an explosives, destructive device, bacteriological or biological weapons crime (13A-10-198)

Dissemination or public display of obscene matter containing visual depiction of persons under 17 involved in obscene acts (13A-12-191)

Distribution, possession with intent to distribute, production of obscene material, or offer or agreement to distribute or produce (13A-12-200.2), only if the offense is not included in the pardon-only offenses on page 1.

Endangering the water supply (13A-10-171)

Facilitating solicitation of unlawful sexual conduct with a child (13A-6-121)

Facilitating the on-line solicitation of a child (13A-6-123)

Facilitating the travel of a child for an unlawful sex act (13A-6-125)

Forgery 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree (13A-9-2 or 13A-9-3)

Hindering prosecution of terrorism (13A-10-154)

Hindrance or obstruction during detection, disarming, or destruction of a destructive device or weapon (13A-10-199)

Human Trafficking 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree (13A-6-152 or 13A-6-153)

Kidnapping 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree (13A-6-43 or 13A-6-44)

Manslaughter (Section 13A-6-3)

Possession or distribution of a destructive device or weapon intended to cause injury or destruction (13A-10-200)

Possession or distribution of a hoax device represented as a destructive device or weapon (13A-10-196(c) )

Possession, manufacture, transport, or distribution of a destructive device or bacteriological weapon, or biological weapon (13A-10-193)

Possession, manufacture, transport, or distribution of a detonator, explosive, poison, or hoax device (13A-10-195)

Prohibited acts in the offer, sale, or purchase of securities (8-6-17)

Robbery 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> degree (13A-8-41, -42, or -43)

Selling, furnishing, giving away, delivering, or distribution of a destructive device, a bacteriological weapon, or biological weapon to a person who is less than 21 years of age (13A-10-194)

Soliciting or providing support for an act of terrorism (13A-10-153)

Terrorism (13A-10-152)

Theft of Property 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree (13A-8-3, 13A-8-4) or Theft of Lost Property 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree (13A-8-7, 13A-8-8)

Theft of trademarks or trade secrets (13A-8-10.4)

Torture or other willful maltreatment of a child under age 18 (26-15-3)

Trafficking in cannabis, cocaine, or other illegal drugs or trafficking in amphetamine and methamphetamine (13A-12-231)

Traveling to meet a child for an unlawful sex act (13A-6-124)

Any federal or out-of-state crime equivalent to one of the offenses listed above.