

<u>DIRECTIONS FOR PRO-SE LITIGANTS</u> requesting a Prosecutor's Review

Do NOT use these directions if you are represented by an attorney. Contact your attorney for guidance.

If you have chosen to represent yourself through the court process, you are expected to follow many of the same rules as if you were an attorney representing a client. We have compiled this guide to provide step-by-step directions on receiving a prosecutor's review.

If you are unable to complete these steps by yourself, decide not to, or need legal advice, DO NOT contact the prosecutor. He cannot offer you legal advice. Your best option would be consult legal aid or a Missouri attorney of your choosing.

DO NOT skip steps. Some people are not eligible to obtain a prosecutor's review. If you prematurely contact the prosecutor, your submission will be deleted.

To obtain a prosecutor's review:

- 1. Does your ticket state your case is in Kimberling City Municipal Court?
 - YES: Continue to Step 2.
 - NO: Stop. These directions do not apply to you.
- 2. Is your ticket for a traffic violation?
 - YES: Continue to Step 3.
 - NO: Skip to Step 4.
- 3. Traffic Violators: For certain situations, the prosecutor requires a Driver Improvement Program (DIP) to be completed, prior to contacting him for a case review.

(The full policy is available here: https://www.ozarkslg.com/downloads/DIP.pdf)

Screen yourself against the DIP Policy:

- Have you had a traffic conviction* in the last year?
 - o This is the 12 calendar months before the current ticket date.
 - * For this purpose of this policy, this <u>DOES</u> include SIS dispositions, and tickets which were amended to a no-points violation, such as no-point speeding or defective equipment.
 - <u>Not</u> included are citations which were received for non-moving reasons, such as license plate violations and burnt-out vehicle lighting.
- Are you currently charged with exceeding the speed limit by 26 mph or more?
- Are you currently charged with a significant moving violation, such as Careless & Imprudent (C&I), DWI, or Excessive BAC?
- Does this current violation involve a work zone, emergency zone, school bus, or an accident?

- If you answered YES to one or more of the above screening questions, STOP. You
 must complete a DIP Program before continuing to Step 4. See the DIP Policy for
 Directions, https://www.ozarkslg.com/downloads/DIP.pdf (Do NOT contact the
 prosecutor before completing the program.)
- If you answered NO to each question, continue to Step 4.
- 4. Complete the attached form requesting a prosecutor's review.
 - Things to know:
 - The prosecutor is under no obligation to extend a plea offer. If you do not hear back, you do not accept and process the offer, or do not obtain a court date extension from the court clerk, you must appear on your assigned court date and time.
 - Any offer may be withdrawn by the prosecutor at any time. In fact, this is very likely to occur if you receive additional tickets prior to the disposition of this case.
 - This is a request form. The prosecutor is under no obligation to respond and, may in-fact, decide to not review your submission.
 - This is a submission to the city's prosecutor. The best rule of thumb is to not provide details which could be used to incriminate you. (While there is legal argument that this information is for plea negotiations, that is beyond the scope of this reminder.) Stick to the best rule of thumb. However, do not lie on the form. Most, if not all, of the information it requests can be obtained and verified through court and police databases.
 - If you receive information from the Prosecutor, please pay close attention to the details. If all of your charges are not disposed of prior to your court date, you must still attend court.

It is important to submit the review form as early as possible. Please email the following items at least two weeks before your court date:

- -A <u>complete</u> and signed "Request for Review" Form
- -Your DIP Certificate (if required by Step 3)
- -A copy of your ticket(s)

All Submissions must be in .PDF FORMAT. This type of file can be made using a computer scanner, a phone app such as "Adobe Scan," or visiting an office supply store. Submit your form to: CityPA@OzarksLG.com

<< Reguest for Review Form appears below>>

Request for Prosecutor's Review

- DO NOT submit this form if you are represented by an attorney. Contact your attorney to assist you.
- This submission is to the prosecutor, who represents the City. DO NOT state facts which could be used against you in court.
- FULLY complete this form. PROVIDING FALSE INFORMATION IS ILLEGAL & CAN RESULT IN CHARGES.

Your Information					
Your NAME (as it appe	ears on your ticke	et/charge):			
ADDRESS*:					
				urt's file; please contact the cou	-
PHONE # (Cell number	er preferred): (EMAIL ADDR	ESS:	
		Charge	Information		
CITY of charges:		Your CASE	(or ticket) NUMBER(S):		
CHARGE(S):					
REASON for requestir	ng a review & you	r REQUEST:			
		Troffic Do	Jaka d I liaka m		
	(Skip this se		elated History ot charged with a traf	fic offense.)	
Check one box:	[] I certify tha	at I have <u>NOT</u> been	stopped for a traffic vio	lation in the last 3 years.	
	[] I certify tha	at I am listing <u>ALL</u> t	he traffic violation conta	cts I have had in the last	3 years.
Date of Stop:/_	/20 Reaso	on I was stopped:			
Warning(s) for:		Ticket(s) for:			
Disposition (final charges	and outcome):			Court location:	
Date of Stop:/	/20 Reaso	on I was stopped:			
Warning(s) for:		Ticket(s) for:			
Disposition (final charges	and outcome):			Court location:	
Date of Stop:/	/20 Reaso	on I was stopped:			
Warning(s) for:		Ticket(s) for:			
Disposition (final charges and outcome):				Court location:	
If needed, attach another for	rm (or a blank piece c	f paper) to continue this	list, ensuring it is complete fo	or the past 3 years. Number of	pages attached:
		Certification –	Signature Required		
				full answers to all questi attendance in court is req	
Signed	d by:		Date:	/20	

<u>Submission</u>: Send this form in .PDF format (in that format ONLY) to: <u>CityPA@OzarksLG.com</u> You MUST also attach a copy of each ticket you are asking to be reviewed; persons required to perform a DIP must attach their certificate.