

**INFORMATION FOR A PETITION FOR REVIEW IN
THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT**

(From San Bernardino County [criminal case])

After carefully going over the opinion of the Court of Appeal in your case, your attorney has decided not to file a petition for review in the Supreme Court. He/she would file a petition, if there were any chance of it being granted. However, you have a right to file, on your own, so the following information is provided, in case you wish to do so.

1. The Supreme Court will only agree to hear your case if it feels there is an important question of law to settle or the Court of Appeal opinion is in conflict with other opinions. The other possible grounds for a review -- lack of jurisdiction of the Court of Appeal or lack of a majority of qualified judges -- almost never occur.

2. A petition for review must be received by the Supreme Court no sooner than thirty (30) or later than forty (40) days after the filing date of the Court of Appeal opinion, a copy of which has already been sent to you.

3. Refer to the California Rules of Court for contents, form and filing requirements.

4. Mail copies of the petition as follows:

The original and thirteen copies to:

Clerk, California Supreme Court
300 South Spring Street, Room 2752
Los Angeles, California 90013

One Copy To:

Clerk, Court of Appeal
Fourth Appellate District, Division Two
3389 Twelfth Street
Riverside, CA 92501

One Copy To:

Attorney General's Office
110 W. A Street, Suite 1100
P.O. Box 85266
San Diego, California 92186-5266

One Copy To:

District Attorney
316 N. Mountain View Ave.
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0004

One Copy To:

Clerk, Superior Court of San Bernardino
351 N. Arrowhead Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0240

On the original, attach a signed statement that you sent all of the required copies. In the statement list all of the names and addresses where you sent those copies.

5. A petition must contain a short statement of the main legal issue, the facts of your case as they are shown in the record, and a statement of why the legal issue is important enough to deserve a review in the Supreme Court under the standards listed above. The form of the petition is similar to the briefs filed in the Court of Appeal, copies of which were sent to you. Attach a copy of the Court of Appeal opinion as an appendix.

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