



# Humans on the Registry

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From the Humans of the Registry website: We hope you find these snapshots of registrants' lives insightful and even inspirational. All of our contributors have been convicted of some form of a registerable sexual offense. These offenses can range from youthful sexual activity to very serious convictions. Our storytellers have accepted responsibility for any past harm. They wish to reflect not only on the impact of being on the registry, but on what brings them happiness now: their accomplishments as well as their hopes and dreams. We've chosen to focus on each individual as they are now; not as who they were in the past or what they were punished for. They all have unique stories to share with you as humans who've been registered. We hope you will share their stories with others who might benefit from their journey and vision for the future.

## Share Your Story

If you are on the registry and have been offense free for a year or more, we hope you will participate in this project. We will screen and post the stories that seem to most advance the goals of the project.

This 700 word "snapshot" of your life should capture the best parts of your life, the contribution you make to society and, if appropriate, your family life. You can briefly mention your conviction, *but the focus is on your life NOW*, and the lives of people you care about. *The goal is to provide encouragement to other registrants and break the stereotypes that hold registrants down.*

The published story *must* include either your full name or your first name and middle initial, and an interesting photo or two of you. We will ask for additional information which we will keep in confidence. Here are some questions to ponder as you write your piece. You may select one, several, or none of them for your story. They are just a guide to get you started.

- What are the things in your life today that bring you the most happiness?
- What is the best thing you are doing with your life right now?
- Are you in a committed relationship? Have children at home?
- Are you involved in your community in a positive way?
- Have you received any awards for community or military service?
- Are you employed?
- If you wish, share any feelings or thoughts you might have about your conviction.
- What about being on the registry has caused you or your family and friends the most harm?
- What is the best and worst moment you have had since being on the registry?
- What are you most proud of accomplishing despite being on the registry?
- Is there something else about you that other people might find interesting (e.g. a special event in your life, special accomplishment, interesting background, etc.)

Contributors must READ AND SIGN our agreement before they submit a story. If you have not done so, please read and sign now. Return your signed agreement with your story to: NARSOL – Humans on the Registry, Post Office Box 36123, Albuquerque, NM 87176. Or, scan and attach in an email to [humans@narsol.org](mailto:humans@narsol.org).

## Agreement

In consideration for being permitted to participate in Humans of the Registry (“the Project”), a project of National Association for Rational Sexual Offense Laws (“NARSOL”), the undersigned, for himself or herself and such participating household members (individually and collectively, the “Participant”), hereby releases and agrees to hold harmless NARSOL and its directors, agents, employees, volunteers, sponsors, independent contractors, officers, or other affiliated entities, and all other persons or entities acting on its behalf (together, the “Released Parties”), together with their successors and assigns, from any and all liability, claims, and demands of whatever kind of nature, either in law or in equity, which arise or may hereafter arise from the Participant’s past, current or future participation in the Project. The Participant voluntarily desires to participate in the Project and any travel required. The Participant understands that publication of stories and photos may create a risk to the Participant. The Participant acknowledges these hazards and voluntarily assumes any and all the risks of loss, damage or injury associated with such participation.

1. Waiver and Release: The Participant understands and acknowledges that this Release discharges the Released Parties from any liability or claim that the Participant may have against the Released Parties with respect to bodily injury, personal injury, illness, death, property damage or any other damage that may result from the Participant’s participation in the the Project.
2. Insurance: The Participant understands that the Released Parties do not assume any responsibility for or obligation to provide the Participant with financial or other assistance, including but not limited to medical, health, or disability benefits or insurance. The Participant expressly waives any such claim for compensation or liability on the part of the Released Parties beyond what may be offered freely by the Released Parties in the event of injury or medical expenses incurred by the Participant.
3. Medical Treatment: The Participant hereby releases and forever discharges the Released Parties from any claim whatsoever which arises or may hereafter arise on account of any first-aid treatment or other medical services, including counseling, therapy or any mental health associated treatment, rendered in connection with any event during the Participant’s participation in the Project.
4. Photo and Video Disclaimer: NARSOL reserves the right to use any photograph/video received or taken as a part of the Project without the permission of those included within the photograph/video. NARSOL may use the photograph/video in publications or other media material produced, used or contracted by NARSOL including but not limited to: brochures, invitations, books, newspapers, magazines, television, websites, etc. To ensure the privacy of individuals and children, images will not be identified using full names or personal identifying information without written approval from the photographed subject, parent or legal guardian.
5. Other: The Participant agrees that this Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive a release of liability as permitted by law, and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the remaining balance of this Release shall continue in full legal force and effect. The Participant agrees that binding arbitration before a single arbitrator pursuant to the Rules of the American Arbitration Association shall be the exclusive means of resolving all disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement or participation in the Project. The Participant understands that they may revoke this agreement solely with respect to future participation by sending written notice of revocation to NARSOL, PO BOX 36123, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87176 (which shall be effective not less than 10 days after receipt). NARSOL will remove any posted information from its website and discontinue any future printed media that contains the Participants’ information and/or image(s). Participant agrees not to pursue or participate further in the Project after such revocation.

By signing below, the Participant expresses understanding and intent to willingly and voluntarily surrender and waive any rights to sue or exercise any legal right to seek any actual, direct, indirect, incidental, special, exemplary, punitive or consequential damages from any of the Released Parties, either under this Agreement or under any theory of contract, tort, wrongful death, negligence, strict liability, statutory liability, warranty or otherwise.

THE PARTICIPANT HAS READ AND VOLUNTARILY SIGNS THIS AGREEMENT, and further agrees that no oral representations, statements or inducements apart from the foregoing written agreement have been made.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Story Submission

THANK YOU for sharing your story!

The purpose of this Project is to undermine the stereotype of “sex offender” by having registered citizens from all walks of life tell their story about what they do in their lives, the contributions they make to society and, if appropriate, their family life. We hope that your story will also provide encouragement to other registrants, providing hope for a positive life in spite of the hardships faced. You may briefly mention your conviction, but the story should focus on your life NOW.

This is part one of our Project. At some point in the future we hope to expand “Humans of the Registry” into a video project.

## PLEASE NOTE:

- *We cannot guarantee publication* of all submitted stories. We will select those that seem to most advance the goals of the project.
- If we edit your piece we will submit the edited version to you for your final approval.
- If you have any concerns or questions, contact the team at [humans@narsol.org](mailto:humans@narsol.org).

Please mail this completed form with your story and photo to *NARSOL – Humans of the Registry, Post Office Box 36123, Albuquerque, NM 87176*. Or scan and attach in an email to [humans@narsol.org](mailto:humans@narsol.org).

## Humans of the Registry - Info Form (Fields marked with an\* are required)

### Contact Information

This information (EXCEPT for your name as explained below) is not for public distribution, and is being asked as a part of our vetting process. Administrators will use this info to contact you with any questions or suggestions prior to posting your story.

First Name\* \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Email\* \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (if no email) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address\* \_\_\_\_\_

City\* \_\_\_\_\_ State\* \_\_\_\_\_ Zip\* \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date\* (so we can track how old you are) \_\_\_\_\_

### Conviction Information

This information is also not for public distribution and will be used only to confirm the legitimacy of the story. We want to be able to stand behind our contributors' stories against any push-back we receive.

Please give the date, state, and legal wording of each statute you were convicted of.\*

How old were you at the time of your conviction(s) and how long have you been offense-free?\*

Does the statute accurately describe your offense?\*  Yes  No

VERY briefly (up to 100 words) describe the offense(s) you were convicted of in your own words.\*

If necessary, do you need permission from a supervising officer to participate in this project?

Yes  No  Not applicable

If applicable, have you accepted responsibility for any past harm?\*

Yes  No  Not applicable

### **Public Information**

Your name and story are the only information which will be publicly shared on the Humans of the Registry site. You may wish to write your story elsewhere, and then paste it in here when you are satisfied with it.

Which way do you wish for your name to be displayed with your story?\*

First and Last Name

First name and middle initial

First name and last initial

Story (*700 words maximum*)\* (Story may be typed on a separate sheet.)