

HOW TO ASK THE COURT TO WAIVE ALL INTEREST

First of all, congratulations on paying off all of your fines. The balance remaining is just interest and the Court is happy to consider removal of the restitution interest and court interest.

To ask the Court to reduce LFO s, a person must follow these steps:

1. Get the proper forms: Pick up the forms at the Clerk's Office or print from Court's website: www.whatcomcounty.us/782 The name of the packet is "Petition to Waive Interest"
2. Get the case number or numbers: This is very important information. If you don't have the number or numbers, you can look them up in on the Court's computer system, in our Clerk's Computer Room. Be sure to include all case numbers, because any reduction or change to LFOs will apply only to the cases listed on your Motion.
3. Complete the forms: This provides the Court with your reason to waive the interest. That this opportunity to let the Court know how your life has changes since this criminal action happened.
4. Turn in the forms: Either mail the forms or stop by the Superior Court Clerk's Office. You'll be given a hearing date when you turn them in. Hearings occur most Tuesday mornings at 8:30.

You can complete Steps 1-4 in one visit to the Clerk's Office, or you can choose to take the forms home and turn in the completed forms another day.

5. BE ON TIME for your hearing. You'll need the time before your case is called to talk with Shea, and review the court record of LFOs assessed and payments made, before you talk to the judge.

If you need assistance you can schedule an appointment to speak with Shea Tuesday through Thursday between 1:00 and 3:00.

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR WHATCOM COUNTY

<p>STATE OF WASHINGTON vs. _____</p> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 20px;">Plaintiff Defendant</p>	<p>NO. _____</p> <p>NOTE FOR MOTION DOCKET (NTMTDK) [X] Tuesday Criminal Calendar</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Use separate sheet for each motion)</i></p>
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NOTE FOR MOTION DOCKET

Please take note that the issue in this case will be heard on the date set out in the margin and the clerk is requested to note the same on the motion docket for that day.

Hearing Date: TUESDAY - _____ / 8:30am

Nature: MOTION TO WAIVE LFO INTEREST (Principal Paid In Full)

DATE SUBMITTED: _____

Signature of Defendant

Address: _____

Telephone

CERTIFICATE OF DELIVERY:

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that I put a copy of the Defendant's Motion in the internal pick box for the Prosecutor box on the _____ day of _____, 20____

COPY SENT TO

Whatcom County Prosecutor
311 Grand Ave, Suite 201
Bellingham, Washington 98225

By: Signature

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**THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR WHATCOM COUNTY**

<p>STATE OF WASHINGTON Plaintiff</p> <p>vs.</p> <p>Defendant</p>	<p>No.</p> <p>Motion and Declaration To Waive Interest On Restitution and/or LFOs</p>
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MOTION

I am the Defendant in this case and I am asking the Court to waive (eliminate) some or all of the interest that has accrued on legal financial obligations.

DECLARATION

I was ordered to pay legal financial obligations according to the Judgment & Sentence. I have paid all of the restitution (if any) and court fines in full.

All that remains due is interest on legal financial obligations and/or restitution. The amount of interest that has accrued.

I am asking the Court to waive the interest on legal financial obligations and the interest on restitution.

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Additional Information:

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct. (Perjury is a criminal offense-see Chapter 9A.72 RCW)

Signed at (City) _____, (State) _____ on
(date) _____, 20__.

Signature

Print or Type Name