

May 4, 2020

My name is Kristen Kiesgen and I am the wife of a registered sex offender. I appreciate the opportunity to connect and share my personal experience of how the Sex Offender Registration Act (SORA) has affected my life to help those understand that a "Sex Offender" comes with many backgrounds.

To be brief, at 21 years old, my husband, Jason Kiesgen, was convicted in 2002 for a crime committed in 2001. Jason was charged with CSC-3 for having consensual intercourse with a young lady who was 15 years and 362 days in age. He served just under 2 years in prison of a 15-year sentence while completing his courses timely (actually ahead of schedule), being a trustee to his prison unit, followed by 2 years on parole without incident. Jason's original sentence was to register as a sex offender for 25 years making him 47 years old at time of removal. Public Acts 17 and 18 of 2011 amended the Sex Offenders Registration Act (SORA), MCL 28.721 to 28.736, assigned Jason as a Tier III offender which has extended his burden to life. This change in classification and more specific registration requirements were presented to Jason via USPS without due process or assessment of the risk Jason poses to his community.

Within one-week of his release, Jason has been consistently employed and has done quite well considering all circumstances. He has held his most recent position in the construction business for the last 7.5 years where he manages a crew of (roughly) 10 employees. Jason and I have been married for the last 5.5 years and have two young children, Jaxon (4) and Gerilynn (1). Jason is an amazing father and husband, but with the retroactive application of the 2006 amendments, Jason will be unable to participate in large aspects of the education of our children because he would be criminalized for "loitering" within 1,000 feet of a school. If HB 5679 passes into law without excluding 2011 registrants, we will be forced to sell our family home that we purchased in September 2017. When we purchased, we were completely unaware that our property fell minimally into a school safety zone. We love our home and take great pride in our property and community. We have also built a strong relationship with several neighbors, but have the strongest bond with U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officer Craig Sanders, his wife and their two daughters.

Since Jason has been a sex offender registrant, we have been the victims of backlash from members within our community. Outside of the common (and almost expected) verbal assault, our home in St. Clair Shores was broken into twice with a large amount of electronics (TVs, gaming systems, etc) being stolen. We moved to Warren in September 2017 and have had nails and screws thrown in our driveway frequently for the first two years we have lived here resulting in 7 flat tires. Jason has reported to a City Police Station to fulfill his obligations only to be told to sit and they would call him when they were ready....hours later.

Since Jason's conviction, the following Amendments have since been applied:

- His drivers license photo has been posted on the internet (2004)
- Imposed registry fee, and made it a crime not to pay the fee (2004)
- Criminalized for working, living, and/or "loitering" within 1,000 feet of a school (2006)
- Increased penalties (2006)
- Created public email notification system (2006)

- Assignment/creation of federal SORNA-based 3-tier system (2011)
- Increased length of registration and frequency of reporting (2011)
- In-person reporting for information such as internet identifiers (2011)
- Immediate reporting for minor changes such as travel plans and email accounts (2011)
- And many other changes which were not clearly defined to communicate responsibility and obligation, but can be held against him for failure to follow or disclose.

Due to the public nature of these laws, we are constantly reminded of his crime and as of 2011, there was/is no end in sight. As the wife of a sex offender, these stipulations all directly affect my life and prohibit me from living a normal life as a productive member of society with my children. I am in constant fear of who will find us on the internet and thus have lived my life as an introvert even more so since having kids. I feel uncomfortable disclosing my last name and address on simple registration forms to give you a brief example of my fears.

Promising to keep this short, I am asking that you take into consideration data, facts and testimony provided to you as well as recognizing that SORA directly affects the offenders and their families. My husband is a role model, he is not a threat to society and should not continue to be treated as such. Jason has been continually loved and supported by his entire extended family despite embarrassment that stems from public knowledge.

I have enclosed several documents through Jason's journey showing the changes of his duties to register as a sex offender. The most important, I feel, is the "Explanation of Duties to Register as A Sex Offender" (M.C.L.A. 28.721, MI P.A. 295 of 1994, Amended 1996, 1999, 2002) which was signed by Jason on February 26, 2004 as his prisoner pre-release notices defining his obligatory requirements.

The greatest example I can give to stress that the term "Sex Offender" isn't a one size fits all, please google "blue shoes". Blue shoes yields 5,540,000,000 results in 0.69 seconds where they all look different, feel different and act different. According to NCMEC, as of 2016 there were 859,500 registered sex offenders in the United States, all who have a different story to tell.

Thank you for your consideration.

Warmest Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kristen Kiesgen", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Kristen Kiesgen  
13661 Penrose Court  
Warren, MI 48088  
313.978.4655

**EXPLANATION OF DUTIES TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER**  
(M.C.L.A. 28.721, MI P.A. 295 of 1994, Amended 1996, 1999, 2002)

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 295 of 1994 as amended in 1996, 1999, and 2002, and in accordance with the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act (42 United States Code 14071), Pam Lychner Sexual Offender Tracking and Identification Act of 1996 (42 United States Code 14072), and the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act (42 United States Code 14071), you are hereby notified of your responsibilities to register as a convicted sex offender.

Effective September 1, 1999, you shall comply with the following duties and responsibilities as they apply to your particular circumstance:

1. Upon conviction but prior to sentencing, you shall be registered as a convicted sex offender. You shall sign the registration form (DD-4) and notification form (DD-4A), and return it to the presenting official. **Failure to sign the form(s) is a misdemeanor.**
2. For a first offense, registration will be for 25 years or a minimum of 10 years after being released from prison, whichever is longer. Registration will be for LIFE for a second or subsequent conviction of a registerable offense or for a first conviction of one of the following crimes on or after September 1, 1999: 750.520b: Criminal Sexual Conduct 1st Degree; 750.520c: Criminal Sexual Conduct 2nd Degree (victim under 13 years of age); 750.349: Kidnapping; 750.350: Kidnapping a Child under the age of 14 years; 750.145c(2)(3): Child Sexually Abusive Commercial Activity, or the attempt of any of the above listed offenses.
3. Within 10 days of changing your residence, you must report in person to your local law enforcement agency, sheriff's department or State Police post and provide your new address. **Failure to report a change of address is a felony.**
4. Within 14 days of moving into this state, if you are registered or required to be registered as a sex offender in another state, you must register as a sex offender at your local law enforcement agency, sheriff's department, or State Police post. If you are a student or employee who is domiciled or temporarily residing in this state for a period of 14 or more consecutive days or 30 or more days in a calendar year, you are required to register.
5. Ten days prior to changing your residence to another state, you must report in person to the nearest State Police post and provide the city and state to which you are moving, along with the complete address, if known. Upon moving, you shall comply with the registration requirements of that state.
6. Effective January 1, 2000, all registered sex offenders shall verify their address by reporting in person to their local law enforcement agency, sheriff's department, or State Police post and provide proof of residency. If you are convicted of a **misdemeanor listed offense**, you shall verify in person, between January 1 and January 15 of each year. If you are convicted of a **felony listed offense**, you shall verify your address during the first 15 days of January, April, July, and October of each year. **Failure to verify your address is a misdemeanor.**
7. Effective January 1, 2000, all registered sex offenders shall maintain either a valid Michigan operator or chauffeur license or a Michigan personal identification card with your digitized photograph. The address on this card shall match your current address on the sex offender registry. This card may be used as proof of residence. Other proof of residency may be required such as a voter registration card or utility bill.
8. Effective January 1, 2003, all registered sex offenders who attend, are employed, or volunteer at an institute of higher learning must report in person the name and location of the campus as well as their status either as a student or employee to their local law enforcement agency, sheriff's department or State Police post. An institute of higher learning includes all public or private community colleges, colleges, universities, public or private trade schools, vocational schools, and occupational schools. This includes all full and part-time students, full and part-time employees, contractual providers, employees of a contractual providers, and volunteers regardless of financial compensation, or receipt of any governmental or educational benefit. Any change in status must be reported within 10 days. **Failure to report status at an institute of higher learning is a felony.**
9. Failure to register, failure to verify residence address at the specified times, failure to report a change of residence address, or failure to report your institute of higher learning status, as described above, in accordance with the act, shall result in criminal prosecution.
10. Failure to sign the notification, verification, and registration forms in accordance with the above procedures shall result in criminal prosecution.
11. I acknowledge that the above requirements as set forth by statute have been explained to me.

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SIGNATURE OF OFFENDER

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN (JUVENILE OFFENDERS ONLY)

**TO BE COMPLETED BY NOTIFYING OFFICIAL (DO NOT LEAVE SECTIONS BLANK)**

PRINTED NAME OF OFFENDER Jason Kiesgen DATE OF BIRTH 5-13-80  
 SS# [REDACTED] SID# 21768355 FBI# 93288VB8 DOC/Prison# 415924

I certify that I specifically informed the offender of his/her duties as set forth above and he/she indicated to me an understanding of those duties.

[Signature] PRINTED NAME/RANK OR POSITION OF NOTIFYING OFFICIAL JASON SPIGAGE RECORDS SUPERV  
 NOTIFYING AGENCY Pine River Corr. Fac DATE 2-26-04

White original – MSP SOR                      Yellow copy – Offender                      Pink copy – Registering Agency  
 Mail the original to: Michigan State Police, Criminal Justice Information Center, Sex Offender Registration, 7150 Harris Drive,  
 Lansing, MI 48913.



Michigan Department of Corrections  
PRISONER PRE-RELEASE NOTICE

4835-3290 8/02

CSJ-290

**AS A CONVICTED FELON, THIS IS A FORMAL NOTICE THAT YOU ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING FEDERAL FIREARMS STATUTES:**

**USING, CARRYING OR POSSESSING A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION [18 USC 922(g) AND 18 US 924 (e)]**

If you use, brandish, display, carry or otherwise possess a firearm, you are in violation of this federal statute, which is punishable by a minimum of 5 years (and up to 10 years) imprisonment without parole. Convicted felons with 3 or more prior convictions for a felony crime of violence and/or drug trafficking felony may receive a minimum sentence of 15 years without parole.

**USING, CARRYING OR POSSESSING A FIREARM IN CONNECTION WITH A DRUG-TRAFFICKING CRIME OR CRIME OF VIOLENCE [18 USC 924(c)]**

If you are convicted of having a firearm during a drug trafficking crime or during a crime of violence, then in addition to a sentence for the drug trafficking or violent crime, you will also be subject to an *additional* federal sentence of 5 years (no parole) to life imprisonment. If you are convicted for having a gun during a *second* violent crime or drug-trafficking offense, penalty is a minimum 25 years.

**Certification of Notice:** I have read or have been read the above notice of these Federal Statutes, and have received a copy of this form.

Jason Robert Kriesgen  
Prisoner Printed Name

415924  
Prisoner Number

[Signature]  
Prisoner Signature

2-26-04  
Date

Susana Sprague  
Witness Printed Name

2-26-04  
Date

[Signature]  
Witness Signature

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JOHN ENGLER  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE  
LANSING



COL. STEPHEN D. MADDEN  
DIRECTOR

November 1, 2002

Dear Registered Sex Offender,

This letter is to inform you of the amendment regarding the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act (42 U.S.C. 14071) and ~~Public Act 294~~ of 1995 Michigan Sex Offender Act.

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 requires all registered sex offenders to report in person to their local law enforcement agency no later than January 15, 2003. You are required to sign the **REVISED** form, "Notification of Duties to Register As a Sex Offender", which incorporates **NEW REQUIREMENTS** for **ALL REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS** both nationwide and within the State of Michigan. Failure to sign the form is a 93-day misdemeanor/\$1000 fine.

If you are a resident of Michigan, and you attend and/or work at an institution of higher learning, you shall report the name and location of the campus to your local law enforcement agency, sheriff's department, or nearest State Police post. If you are employed and/or attend classes at more than one institution, you shall report all the names and locations of the institutions. If you are enrolled at any other location in the United States or abroad as part of a foreign studies program, this information must be provided to law enforcement as well as when you discontinue those studies outside of the State of Michigan.

If you are not a resident of Michigan, and you attend and/or work at an institution of higher learning, you shall report the name and location of the campus to the campus police, or if none exists to the local law enforcement agency, sheriff's department, or State Police post having jurisdiction over the campus.

"Student" means enrollment on a full or part time basis in a public or private educational institution, community college, college or university for more than 14 consecutive days, or 30 or more total days in a calendar year.

"Employment" by an institution of higher learning means an employee, a contractual provider, an employee of a contractual provider, or volunteer for more than 14 consecutive days, or 30 or more total days in a calendar year.

You must provide documentation of all work sites and/or class sites such as but not limited to W-2, pay stub or written statement by an employer, a contract and/or student identification card or student transcript.

You must also produce your Michigan Personal ID Card or Driver's License with your current address.

You must inform the local law enforcement agency, sheriff's department, or State Police post of any changes in your enrollment and/or employment status within 10 days. Failure to report any changes in status is a 93-day misdemeanor/\$1000 fine.

Tim Bolles, Criminal Identification Section Manager  
Michigan State Police  
Criminal Justice Information Center



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COL. KRISTE KIBBEY ETUE  
DIRECTOR

August 12, 2011

JASON ROBERT KIESGEN  
25325 WINTON ST  
ST CLAIR SHORES MICHIGAN 48081

Dear Jason:

On April 12, 2011, the Michigan Sex Offenders Registration Act (SORA) was amended by the Michigan Legislature.

Section 7 of the Michigan SORA (MCL 28.727) requires registration information to include fingerprints and palm prints, if not already on file with the Michigan State Police. The SORA specified the prints must be on file no later than September 12, 2011.

During the July verification period an Explanation of Duties to Register as a Sex Offender Form (DD-4A), which contained a paragraph informing you of the above requirement, should have been provided to you. Our records indicate your fingerprints, palm prints, or both are not currently on file with this department. Therefore, to comply with the law, you must report to a law enforcement agency, sheriff's office, or state police post that has the ability to capture fingerprints and palm prints no later than **September 12, 2011**, to have your fingerprints and palm prints taken. A list of agencies where you may be printed is enclosed.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please contact the Michigan State Police, Sex Offender Registry and Enforcement Unit, at (517) 241-1806.

Sincerely,

Karen Johnson, Manager  
Sex Offender Registry and Enforcement Unit

Enclosure



STATE OF MICHIGAN

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June 17, 2011

JASON ROBERT KIESGEN  
25325 WINTON ST  
ST CLAIR SHORES MI 48081

On April 12, 2011, the Michigan Sex Offenders Registration Act (SORA) was amended to substantially comply with the federal Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA), Title I of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, as amended. This correspondence summarizes the major changes within the Act which affect your registration responsibilities. These changes do not take effect until July 1, 2011. A more detailed explanation will be provided to you at your next verification period.

#### TIER CLASSIFICATION

A tier classification has been assigned to you based on the requirements in the Act. This may have resulted in a change in the frequency for which you must verify your address and the length of time you must register.

Beginning July 1, 2011, you are designated as a **Tier III** offender.

As a Tier III offender, you must report in-person and verify your address to the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over your residence during the first 15 days of January, April, July, and October of each year you are required to register as a sexual offender.

As a Tier III offender, you must register for life.

#### MICHIGAN PUBLIC SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY WEB SITE

As a Tier III offender, your registration information must be displayed on the Michigan Public Sex Offender Registry Web site. This does not apply to individuals adjudicated as a juvenile. This information can be found at [www.mipsor.state.mi.us](http://www.mipsor.state.mi.us).

#### COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

As a registered sex offender, you are required to provide additional information. This information must be reported in-person to the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over your residence at your next verification period and includes:

- All telephone numbers registered to you or routinely used by you.
- Copies of your passport and/or immigration documentation.
- Occupation and professional licensing information, including any license that authorizes you to engage in any occupation, profession, trade, or business.

#### REPORTING CHANGE IN STATUS

As a registered sex offender, you are required to report the following information in-person to the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over your residence within three (3) business days. This information includes:

- Any change in your residence or domicile.
- Any change in your place of employment, or if employment is discontinued.
- Any change in your name.

- Any temporary lodging information other than your residence for more than seven (7) days.
- Establishment of any electronic mail, instant message address, or any other designation used in internet communications or postings.
- Purchase of or begin to regularly operate any vehicle, and when ownership or operation of the vehicle is discontinued.
- Enrollment as a student at any institution of higher learning, or if enrollment is discontinued.

As a registered sex offender, you are required to report in-person to the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over your residence three (3) days prior to changing your residence to another state.

As a registered sex offender, you are required to report in-person to the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over your residence 21 days prior to changing your residence to another country or traveling to any other country for more than seven (7) days.

#### REGISTRATION FEE PAYMENT

All registered sex offenders must pay a one-time registration fee. Effective July 1, 2011, the registration fee is \$50 and applies to all registered sex offenders who have not already paid a required registration fee in the state of Michigan, and to all new registrants.

#### PETITION TO DISCONTINUE REGISTRATION FOR A CONSENSUAL SEXUAL ACT

An individual who meets all of the following requirements may petition the court for an order allowing him or her to discontinue registration:

- The victim was 13 years of age or older but less than 16 years of age at the time of the offense.
- The petitioner is not more than four (4) years older than the victim.

An individual who meets all of the following requirements may petition the court for an order allowing him or her to discontinue registration:

- The petitioner was convicted of a violation of Michigan Compiled Law (MCL) 750.158, 750.338, 750.338a, and/or 750.338b.
- The victim was 13 years of age or older but less than 16 years of age at the time of the violation.
- The petitioner is not more than four (4) years older than the victim.

An individual who meets all of the following requirements may petition the court for an order allowing him or her to discontinue registration:

- The petitioner was convicted of a violation of MCL 750.158, 750.338, 750.338a, 750.338b, and/or 750.520c.
- The victim was 16 years of age or older at the time of the violation.
- The victim was not under the custodial authority of the individual at the time of the violation.

#### PETITION TO DISCONTINUE REGISTRATION FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS

An individual who meets all of the following requirements may petition the court for an order allowing him or her to discontinue registration:

- The petitioner was adjudicated as a juvenile.
- The petitioner was less than 14 years of age at the time of the offense.

An individual who meets all of the following requirements may petition the court for an order allowing him or her to discontinue registration:

- The petitioner was adjudicated as a juvenile.



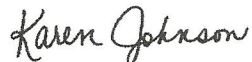
- Twenty-five or more years have elapsed since the date of conviction for the listed offense or from any period of confinement for that offense, whichever occurred last.
- The petitioner has not been convicted of any felony since the date of conviction for the listed offense or from any period of confinement for that offense, whichever occurred last.
- The petitioner has not been convicted of any listed offense since the date of conviction for the listed offense or from any period of confinement for that offense, whichever occurred last.
- The petitioner successfully completed his or her assigned periods of supervised release, probation, or parole without revocation at any time of that supervised release, probation, or parole.
- The petitioner successfully completed a sex offender treatment program certified by the United States Attorney General under 42 USC 16915(b)(1), or another appropriate sex offender treatment program. The court may waive this requirement if successfully completing a sex offender treatment program was not a condition of the petitioner's confinement, release, probation, or parole.

You may wish to retain this letter for future reference.

An "Explanation of Duties to Register as a Sex Offender" form (DD-4A) will be provided to you at your next verification period. Please read the form carefully and familiarize yourself with the changes to the Michigan Sex Offenders Registration Act. This form will be provided to you so you are aware of your legal responsibilities effective July 1, 2011.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please contact the Michigan State Police, Sex Offender Registry and Enforcement Unit, at (517) 241-1806.

Sincerely,



Karen Johnson, Manager  
Sex Offender Registry and Enforcement Unit



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March 19, 2014

JASON KIESGEN  
25325 WINTON ST  
ST CLAIR SHORES MI 48081

Dear JASON KIESGEN:

Re: Michigan Sex Offender Registration

Pursuant to Public Act 149 of 2013, amendments have been made to the Michigan Sex Offenders Registration Act, effective April 1, 2014. These amendments include the following two changes for registered sex offenders:

1. **Annual Fee Requirement:** You will be required to pay an annual \$50 fee. This fee will be collected annually during your first verification month of each year. This annual fee will be in addition to the one-time fee that is required upon initial registration. If you have already paid the initial registration fee, you will only be required to pay the annual fee. Please see the attached document to determine the month you will be required to pay your annual fee for 2014.
2. **Address Verification Requirement:** Verification schedules will be based on the month of your birth. You will have the full month to verify your address, rather than the first 15 days of the month. Please see the attached document to determine the month(s) you will be required to verify your address.

If you are a Tier 1 sex offender and your birthday is in the month of April or later, you will be required to verify your address two times this year, January and the month of your birth.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Michigan State Police, Sex Offender Registry Unit, at 517-241-1806.

Sincerely,

Karen Johnson, Unit Manager  
Criminal Justice Information Center  
Sex Offender Registry Unit

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# SEX OFFENDER VERIFICATION AND ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE

## TIER 1, TIER 2, AND TIER 3 SEX OFFENDERS EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2014

### TIER 1

Birth Month	Reporting Months	The month your fee is due in 2014	The month your fee is due after 2014
January	January	No annual fee required in 2014	January
February	February	No annual fee required in 2014	February
March	March	No annual fee required in 2014	March
April	April	April	April
May	May	May	May
June	June	June	June
July	July	July	July
August	August	August	August
September	September	September	September
October	October	October	October
November	November	November	November
December	December	December	December

### TIER 2

Birth Month	Reporting Months	The month your fee is due in 2014	The month your fee is due after 2014
January	January and July	July	January
February	February and August	August	February
March	March and September	September	March
April	April and October	April	April
May	May and November	May	May
June	June and December	June	June
July	January and July	July	January
August	February and August	August	February
September	March and September	September	March
October	April and October	April	April
November	May and November	May	May
December	June and December	June	June

### TIER 3

Birth Month	Reporting Months	The month your fee is due in 2014	The month your fee is due after 2014
January	January, April, July, and October	April	January
February	February, May, August, and November	May	February
March	March, June, September, and December	June	March
April	January, April, July, and October	April	January
May	February, May, August, and November	May	February
June	March, June, September, and December	June	March
July	January, April, July, and October	April	January
August	February, May, August, and November	May	February
September	March, June, September, and December	June	March
October	January, April, July, and October	April	January
November	February, May, August, and November	May	February
December	March, June, September, and December	June	March