

Examined and certified by:



Clerk of the Parliament

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty King Charles III, I hereby assent to this Act
this 30th day of June, 2023




King's Representative

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Schedule Form of Pardon

An Act to amend the statutory form to be used for pardons under the Criminal Records Act 1991, and to ensure the validity of any pardons previously issued.

The Parliament of the Cook Islands enacts as follows—

- 1 Title**
This Act is the Criminal Records Amendment Act 2023.
- 2 Commencement**
This Act comes into force on the day after the date on which it is assented to by the King's Representative.
- 3 Principal Act amended**
This Act amends the Criminal Records Act 1991.
- 4 New section 5A inserted (Validity of previous pardons)**
After section 5, insert:
“5A Validity of previous pardons
“A pardon granted under this Act before the commencement of the Criminal Records Amendment Act 2023 must be treated as—
“(a) having been granted in the form in the Schedule; and
“(b) having the effect described in section 5.”
- 5 Schedule replaced**
Replace the Schedule with the Schedule in the Schedule to this Act.

**Schedule
Form of Pardon**

[HIS/HER] EXCELLENCY THE KING'S REPRESENTATIVE IN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, on the recommendation of the Parole Board, is pleased hereby to grant to

[NAME]

a pardon in respect of the offence of [OFFENCE] of which they were convicted on the [DATE] day of [MONTH], [YEAR]:

AND this pardon is evidence of the fact that the Parole Board, after making proper inquiries, was satisfied that [NAME] is of good behaviour and that the conviction in respect of which the pardon is granted should no longer reflect adversely on their character:

AND this pardon vacates the conviction in respect of which it is granted and removes any disqualification to which the person is, by reason of that conviction, subject by virtue of any Act or regulation.

GIVEN at Rarotonga, Cook Islands this [DATE] day of [MONTH],
[YEAR]

BY ORDER

[HIS/HER] EXCELLENCY
THE KING'S REPRESENTATIVE

This Act is administered by the Ministry of Corrective Services.
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