

City of Fredericksburg

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**Fredericksburg Circuit Court
Office of the Clerk
701 Princess Anne Street, Suite 100
Fredericksburg, VA 22401
Phone: (540) 372-1066**



**Jeff Small
Clerk of Court**

**Christine M. Allen
Chief Deputy Clerk**

Mail this completed application to:

**Clerk,
Fredericksburg Circuit Court
Attn: OCRA
701 Princess Anne Street
Suite 100
Fredericksburg, VA 22401**

***Note: The Subscriber's ID, password and expiration date-with instructions-will be emailed to you once approved.**



CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG CIRCUIT COURT
JEFF SMALL, CLERK

APPLICATION FOR OFFICER'S OF THE COURT REMOTE ACCESS (OCRA)
IMAGING SYSTEM FOR FREDERICKSBURG CIRCUIT COURT

This application must be completed by EACH INDIVIDUAL USER for access to case documents. A non-attorney applicant must be a directly supervised staff member of an Attorney who is an active Subscriber. The supervising Attorney must also sign this application.

The approval of this application is at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's discretion. By signing this application the Subscriber acknowledges and accepts the terms and conditions of the Subscriber Agreement for the Officer of the Court Remote Access to City of Fredericksburg Circuit Court Case Imaging System as incorporated by reference herein. ALL INFORMATION BELOW IS MANDATORY - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME: Last First Middle

COMPANY/FIRM NAME OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY (IF APPLICABLE):

STREET ADDRESS:

CITY/STATE/ZIP:

PHONE NUMBER: OFFICE: CELL:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

V S B NUMBER OF SUPERVISING ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY APPLICANT: (Please include a copy of your Virginia State Bar card)

UNITED STATES CITIZEN: () YES () NO

NAME OF ACTIVE ATTORNEY SUBSCRIBER BY WHOM YOU ARE DIRECTLY SUPERVISED:

BY SIGNING BELOW, I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE AND CORRECT:

APPLICANT SIGNATURE:

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING ATTORNEY:

CITY/COUNTY OF: STATE/Commonwealth OF:

I, a Notary Public or Deputy Clerk, do hereby certify that on this day of, 20, and

Personally appeared before me and swore and acknowledged to me that the statements contained herein are true and correct.

My Commission Expires: Notary Public or Deputy Clerk

Commission Number: Print/Type Name and Phone # of Notary

For use by the Circuit Court Clerk's Office only

SUBSCRIBER'S USER ID: PSWD: EXPIRATION DATE:



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SUBSCRIBER AGREEMENT FOR OFFICER OF THE COURT REMOTE ACCESS
(OCRA) IMAGING SYSTEM FOR FREDERICKSBURG CIRCUIT COURT

This Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into on _____, 20____, by and between Fredericksburg Circuit Court Clerk's office ("Clerk's Office") and _____, (Subscriber).

1. **Terms of Agreement:** It is the intent of both parties to participate in the Officer of the Court Remote Access (OCRA) to certain Fredericksburg Circuit Court Clerk's Office civil and criminal case file records stored in the Supreme Court of Virginia's Case Imaging System (CIS) to commence on the day the User ID and Password are assigned and access to OCRA is activated and to continue until terminated as provided herein.
2. **Subscriber Options:** The clerk provides one Subscriber option: An online database system providing "inquiry-only" access to all currently scanned circuit court criminal and civil cases, **except** those cases or parts of cases that are Restricted, Confidential, or Sealed.
3. **Days and Hours of Operation:** OCRA will generally be available seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day, including holidays, **except** during periods of:
 - a. Preventive and remedial maintenance;
 - b. Operational issues beyond the control of the Clerk's Office ; and
 - c. When intrusions against security are being remedied.
4. **Fees:** Your subscription is as a non-paying Subscriber. You will not be assessed a fee. If in the future a fee is assessed, you will be given notice and a chance to cancel.
5. **Services:** The Clerk will provide the Subscriber with "inquiry-only" access to all currently scanned court case documents in its CIS except for those case files or parts of case files that are marked Confidential, Restricted, or Sealed. The servers that store the programs and data are maintained and managed by the Supreme Court of Virginia. The Clerk will assume responsibility for:
 - a) Providing the Subscriber with the current OCRA link:
<https://cisweb.courts.state.va.us/Ocra/login/756422/a.html>
 - b) Providing the Subscriber with limited consultation on specific problems that arise in the use of OCRA. The Clerk does not guarantee consultation results nor warrant or represent that all errors or problems will be corrected.
 - c) Limited customer support is only available Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM excluding Fredericksburg Circuit Court holidays.

For questions regarding your user or Subscriber fees, please contact the Clerk's Office at (540) 372-1066.

6. **Subscriber's Obligations:**
 - a.) It is the responsibility of the Subscriber to purchase computer hardware and software and/or make modifications to his/her equipment that are necessary for the access of OCRA.
 - b.) The Subscriber is responsible for ensuring that OCRA is used in a proper and legal manner. If the Subscriber is convicted of a crime, including but not limited to a violation of the Virginia Computer Crimes Act (§18.2-152.1 of the Code of

Virginia), arising out of the use of OCRA, such conviction shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement, and the Clerk's Office shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately. Nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting the Clerk's Office from pursuing any other remedy available to it for such breach.

- c.) The Subscriber is responsible for ensuring that unauthorized personnel do not use the Subscriber's account. Unauthorized personnel for the purposes of the contract shall be any person, employee, support staff, or entity other than the Subscriber. The subscriber may NOT share passwords or login credentials with anyone for any reason. Access is STRICTLY one username login for one individual Subscriber.
- d.) Information accessed from OCRA is for the use of the Subscriber in the ordinary course of their business as provided by Virginia Code §17.1-293. Subscriber has a duty to bring to the Clerk's attention any errors or omissions in the scanned court case documents. Notification may be made by electronic mail to JSmall@vacourts.gov.
- e.) The Subscriber shall not permit data accessed by OCRA to be sold or posted on any other Internet website or in any way redistributed to any third party, and the Clerk reserves the discretion to deny secure remote access to ensure compliance with this provision.
- f.) The Subscriber is responsible for ensuring the security of the Subscriber's assigned username and password. If at any time the Subscriber has knowledge of compromised security of the Subscriber's access credentials, Subscriber will IMMEDIATELY notify the Clerk by electronic mail to JSmall@vacourts.gov.
- g.) Supervising attorneys shall be responsible for reporting termination of employment of any Subscriber under their supervision.
- h.) Subscribers shall be responsible for reporting any change in the information provided in the OCRA application.

7. Limitation of Liability:

- a.) It is acknowledged by the Subscriber that the City of Fredericksburg and its City Council, employees or agents, volunteers or servants are not a party to the Agreement and that the City of Fredericksburg shall incur no liability hereunder.
- b.) The Subscriber relieves and releases the Clerk's Office and its Clerk, deputy clerks, employees or agents from liability for any and all damages resulting from the interruption of service of any kind. The Subscriber further relieves and releases the City of Fredericksburg, its City Council, officers and their deputies, employees and agents from liability for any and all damages resulting from interrupted service of any kind. The Subscriber also relieves and releases the Supreme Court of Virginia, Office of the Executive Secretary and its employees and agents from liability for any and all damages resulting from interrupted service of any kind.
- c.) The Subscriber hereby relieves and releases and holds harmless the Clerk's Office and its Clerk, deputy clerks, employees or agents, the City of Fredericksburg, its City Council, officers and their deputies, employees or agents of any liability for any and all damages resulting from incorrect data or any other misinformation accessed from this service. The Subscriber also relieves and releases the Supreme Court of Virginia, Office of the Executive Secretary and its employees and agents from liability for any and all damages resulting from incorrect data or any other misinformation access from this service.
- d.) Subscriber agrees that the Clerk's Office, its Clerk, the City of Fredericksburg, its City Council, officers and their deputies, employees or agents shall not be liable for negligence or lost profits resulting from any claim or demand against the Subscriber by any other party. The Subscriber also relieves and releases the

Supreme Court of Virginia, Office of the Executive Secretary and its employees and agents from liability for any and all damages resulting from a claim for negligence or lost profits against the Subscriber by any other party.

- e.) The information or data accessed by Subscriber may or may not be the official government record required by law. In order to assure the accuracy of the data or information, the Subscriber should consult the official government record.
 - f.) In no event will the Clerk, deputy clerks, employees, or agents be liable for consequential damages even if the Clerk's Office has been advised of the possibility of such damages.
 - g.) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as waiving the sovereign or governmental immunity of the Clerk of Circuit Court of the City of Fredericksburg, the City Council, or their respective officers, deputy clerks, employees, or agents.
8. **Warranties:** The Clerk's office, its officials, employees, volunteers, servants, or agents neither expressly, nor impliedly, warrant that the information or data accessed by the Subscriber is accurate nor correct. There are no expressed or implied warranties in connection with this service.
9. **Assignment:** The Subscriber agrees not to assign any right or interest in this Agreement. Any attempt by this Subscriber to transfer by any means, any of the rights, duties, or obligations of this Agreement shall render this Agreement null and void.
10. **Governing Law/Venue:** This Agreement and/or any dispute arising therefrom shall in all respects be governed by the interpreted in accordance with applicable law of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of where actually accepted or delivered. This Agreement shall be deemed to have been accepted and delivered by the parties in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any and all suits for any claims or for any and every breach or dispute arising out of this Agreement shall be maintained in the appropriate court of competent jurisdiction in the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia.
11. **Entire Agreement:** The Agreement contains the entire understanding of the parties, there being no promises, warranties, or undertaking, written or oral, other than those expressly set forth herein. Furthermore, no modifications, alterations, or amendments to the Agreement shall be valid unless in writing and signed by all parties, except otherwise provided herein.
12. **Notice:** Any notice or written communication of any kind required or desired to be given or sent pursuant to the terms hereof shall be delivered in person or mailed postage prepaid by certified or registered mail, unless specifically stated herein. Any email notices specified in this Agreement shall be to the email address provided by Subscriber in the application form, or, if to the Clerk, to JSmall@vacourts.gov.
13. **Termination:** Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause within fifteen (15) days email notice to the other.
- This Agreement may be immediately terminated by the Clerk for Subscriber's failure to provide correct or complete information on the application, failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement, failure to make payments or fees or breach of the Agreement. In the event of such termination, the Clerk shall notify the Subscriber by email.
- The Agreement shall terminate immediately if the Commonwealth of Virginia or the City of Fredericksburg fail to appropriate and continue funding for services provided under this Agreement.

14. **Definitions:**

“Public Access” means that the public can inspect and obtain a copy of the information in a court record.

“Remote Access” means that inspection can be made without the need to physically visit the courthouse where the court record is maintained.

“Subscriber” means members in good standing with the Virginia State Bar and their authorized agents, *pro hac vice* attorneys authorized by the court for purposes of the practice of law, and governmental agencies authorized by the Clerk of the Circuit Court to have OCRA.

15. **Application:** The Subscriber must complete an application for OCRA. The application must be approved by the Clerk’s Office before the User ID and Password will be issued.

16. **Severability:** If any provision (or part thereof) of this Agreement is found to be invalid, then it shall be stricken and have no effect. The remaining provisions of this Agreement shall continue to be in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement.

Signature

Date

Printed/Typed Name

Title

CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG CIRCUIT COURT CLERK’S OFFICE:
Jeff Small, Clerk of Court

Clerk/Deputy Clerk

Date