

**1. Rules, Policies, and Procedures:**

- The Court may adopt such rules, policies, and procedures as may be necessary to implement this section.

**2. Establish Reasonable Suspicion:**

- The law enforcement officer must have reasonable suspicion that the sealed record being sought **is** relevant for use by a law enforcement officer for a criminal justice purpose.

**3. Determine Criminal Justice Purpose:**

- The law enforcement officer has a criminal justice purpose, pursuant to 20 VSA Sec. 2056a, for requesting use to the sealed record.

**4. Request Judicial Approval:**

- The law enforcement officer must submit a request, **supported by a written affidavit or a verbal recitation under oath**, to the court for use of the sealed record, for criminal justice purposes.
- The request should detail the criminal justice purposes and that there is reasonable suspicion that the record is pertinent.

**5. Court Review:**

- The court will review the request. If the court finds that the record is being sought to be used for criminal justice purposes and that there is **a** reasonable suspicion that the record is pertinent, it may issue an order providing for the use of the record by the law enforcement officer.
- The order will grant or deny the use of the sealed record, typically including specific instructions on how the record can be used and any limitations on its use.

**6. Follow Court Instructions:**

- If the request is granted, the officer must ensure that they adhere to the court's instructions regarding how the sealed record may be used, and any restrictions that may apply. The State or a law enforcement officer may request **for** broader usage as long as such use is for criminal justice purposes and that there is reasonable suspicion that the record is pertinent by submitting a subsequent request.

**7. State's Attorneys and the Attorney General:**

- The State's Attorney and Attorney General shall disclose any information contained in a sealed criminal history record when required to meet discovery obligations and as otherwise allowed for criminal justice purposes pursuant to 20 V.S.A. Sec. 2056a.