# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

# FORM PETITION AND ORDER FOR THE RETURN OF PROPERTY

PETITIONER MUST COMPLETE THE ENTIRE PACKET AND RETURN IT TO THE CLERK. ALL CHARGES AGAINST THE DEFENDANT FOR WHICH BAIL WAS POSTED MUST BE TERMINATED BY CONVICTION AND SENTENCE OR DISMISSAL BEFORE SUBMITTING THE PETITION TO THE COURT

# TO BE COMPLETED BY PETITIONER

\*\*\*\*\*FOR INTERNAL CLERK'S OFFICE USE ONLY\*\*\*\*

Case Number \_\_\_\_\_

# \*\*\*\*\*THIS PAGE SHALL NOT BE SCANNED\*\*\*\*\*

# FOR CLERK'S OFFICE USE ONLY PROPERTY RETURNED TO PETITIONER

Clerk's Signature

#### LETTER OF INSTRUCTION

#### **ORDER AND PETITION FOR RETURN OF PROPERTY**

Use the enclosed form Order and Petition to obtain return of a property for a surety who has lodged such property with the court on behalf of the defendant in a criminal matter for the purpose of a bail bond.

The petitioner (person who posted the property) is to complete the enclosed petition,

have it notarized, and return it to the Clerk, U.S. District Court. The Clerk will verify the

signature on the petition and verify that the property was lodged with the Court. The petition and

proposed order will then be sent to the appropriate Judge for consideration.

If the petitioner on a return of a property is different than the original person who posted the property, then legal documentation of the transfer of entitlement must be included with the Petition. You must supply the court with the following approved documentation:

- **1. Power of Attorney (NOTARIZED)**
- 2. NOTARIZED statement of the original payer designating or authorizing the release of property to the petitioner together with an affidavit that the original payer is not an infant or incompetent (Example of a single assignment form is attached)
- **3.** If the payer is deceased: Documentation demonstrating that the petitioner is a beneficiary of such deed/title of the payer/decedent (NOTARIZED)

After the order is signed, the petition and order will be returned to the Clerk and your property will be mailed to you, or you may arrangements to pick up the property.

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

#### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

**PETITION** 

vs.

Case No: \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant(s)

To the Honorable Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York:

Your petitioner, \_\_\_\_\_\_ respectfully shows:

That your petitioner resides at:

CITY \_\_\_\_\_\_ STATE/COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number of Petitioner: (LAST 4 DIGITS ONLY) \_\_\_\_\_

That on (date) \_\_\_\_\_, the defendant herein gave bond before the

United States Magistrate Judge for his/her appearance to answer to the criminal charges against

him/her, and your petitioner on the day aforesaid signed said bond as surety for the said

defendant and posted with said United States District Court the following property:

Property Description:

That thereafter and on (date) \_\_\_\_\_\_, the said defendant appeared before this Court. The charge, for which bail was posted, was finally determined by:

## Select Appropriate Disposition:

- □ Conviction and Sentence
- □ Dismissal

That said property posted with the United States District Court as aforesaid is the property of your petitioner.

WHEREFORE, your petitioner respectfully prays that an order be entered releasing your petitioner as surety as aforesaid and that the Clerk of the Court be directed to remit to your petitioner the property posted in connection with said bail bond.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Petitioner

State of	
County of	Social Security # (LAST 4 DIGITS)
City of	
	, being duly sworn, deposes and states that he/she is
the petitioner in the above petition; that	t he/she has read the foregoing petition and knows the
contents thereof and that the same are t	rue of his/her own knowledge.
	Signature of Petitioner
Sworn to before me this	
day of	
NOTARY PUBLIC	
My Commissioner Expires:	

## TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CLERK'S OFFICE UPON RECEIPT OF THE PETITION

(18 U.S.C. 3142) (Fed.R.Crim.P. Rule 46) (NDNY Local Rule 46.2)

- 1. I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, Deputy Clerk have verified that the signature on the petition appears to be the same as the signature on the Bail Bond filed with this Court on \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2.  $\Box$  I have verified that the property was posted with the Court on

\_\_\_\_\_ by the petitioner.

(Date)

- 3. Check if appropriate) The Petitioner is different than the original payee. Appropriate legal documentation of the transfer of entitlement is attached to this petition for the court's consideration.
- 4.  $\Box$  I have verified that a judgment of conviction or dismissal order has been entered.
- 5. Self Surrender Cases: I have verified with the U.S. Marshal that the defendant reported to the designated Bureau of Prisons institution. \*\*NOTE: If the Defendant has not self-reported yet, the petition must be held in abeyance until the self-surrender date or denied as premature.
- 6.  $\Box$  The petition and supporting documents have been signed and notarized where appropriate.

Deputy Clerk

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CLERK**

- 1. Scan and docket the Petition using the event "Motion for Return of Property" and attach the proposed order as an attachment to the petition.
- 2. Email chambers to let them know that the petition has been filed.
- Chambers will issue an order granting the return of the property and CRD will docket the order and notify the Docket Clerk that it is ready for return.
  NOTE: Do NOT issue an order releasing the property until the Defendant has been remanded, self-surrendered, released on time-served/probation or the case was dismissed.
- 4. Docket clerk will return the property with a copy of the Order by Certified Mail- Return Receipt to the petitioner or make arrangements for petitioner to pick up property.
- 5. Docket Clerk will make an entry on the docket regarding compliance with the Order.

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

ORDER

vs.

Case No: \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant(s)

Upon reading and filing the annexed petition, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that the petitioner therein be and he/she hereby is released as surety on

the bail bond of the defendant in the above entitled cause, and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Clerk of the Court remit to the petitioner the property

posted in connection with said bail bond.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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## **RETURN ON ORDER**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy Clerk have complied with the Court's

order this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN THE MATTER OF:	
USA V	CRIMINAL NUMBER:
SINGLE ASSI	GNMENT FOR THE RETURN OF PROPERTY
I,	, posted the property
(property description)	
on	and thereto assign the right to
(DATE)	(ASSIGNEE (PETITIONER))
	(ASSIGNOR)
Sworn to before me this	
day of	
NOTARY PUBLIC	