

**§ 58-33A-15. Application for license.**

(a) A person applying for a public adjuster license shall apply to the Commissioner on the appropriate uniform application or other application prescribed by the Commissioner.

(b) The applicant shall declare under penalty of perjury and under penalty of refusal, suspension, or revocation of the license that the statements made in the application are true, correct, and complete to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.

(c) An applicant for a license under this Article shall furnish the Commissioner with a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints in a manner prescribed by the Commissioner and a recent passport size full-face photograph of the applicant. The applicant's fingerprints shall be certified by an authorized law enforcement officer. The fingerprints of every applicant shall be forwarded to the State Bureau of Investigation for a search of the applicant's criminal history record file, if any. If warranted, the State Bureau of Investigation shall forward a set of the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history record check. An applicant shall pay the cost of the State and any national criminal history record check of the applicant. This subsection does not apply to a person applying for renewal or continuation of a home state public adjuster license or a nonresident public adjuster license.

(d) In addition, if an applicant described in subsection (b) of this section is a business entity, each key person must furnish the Commissioner a complete set of the key person's fingerprints and a recent passport size full-face photograph of the applicant. The key person's fingerprints shall be certified by an authorized law enforcement officer. The fingerprints of every key person shall be forwarded to the State Bureau of Investigation for a search of the applicant's criminal history record file, if any. If warranted, the State Bureau of Investigation shall forward a set of the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history record check. Each key person shall pay the cost of the State and any national criminal history record check of the key person. As used in this subsection, "key person" means a proposed officer, director, or any other individual who will be in a position to influence the operating decisions of the business entity. This subsection does not apply to a person applying for renewal or continuation of a home state public adjuster license or a nonresident public adjuster license.

(e) The Commissioner shall keep all information received pursuant to subsections (c) and (d) of this section privileged, in accordance with applicable State and federal law, and the information shall be confidential and shall not be a public record under Chapter 132 of the General Statutes. (2009-565, s. 1.)