

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SERVICES DIVISION, CLARKSBURG, WV 26306

Firearm-Related Challenge Request

Individuals denied the transfer of a firearm through a Federal Firearm Licensee (FFL) by the FBI or a Point of Contact state under 18 U.S.C. 922(t), may challenge the denial determination. To challenge your firearm denial through the FBI, you must provide either a National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) Transaction Number (NTN), which is a unique number assigned to each valid NICS background check inquiry received by the FBI; and/or a State Transaction Number (STN), which is a unique number assigned by a State Point of Contact to a valid NICS background check inquiry. If you do not know your NTN or STN, you must contact the FFL or the state agency that initiated your NICS background check and request the identifier prior to submission of this fingerprint card.

To assist in determining if you are not the person associated with the record used in the evaluation of your NICS background check, you may mail your completed fingerprint card, including your NTN and/or STN to:

FBI CJIS Division
ATTN: CRIMINAL HISTORY ANALYSIS TEAM 1
BTC 3
1000 Custer Hollow Road
Clarksburg, WV 26306

For additional information on the submission of fingerprints to the FBI for challenges of a firearm denial, please visit https://www.edo.cjis.gov.

Privacy Act Statement:

Authority: The FBI's acquisition, preservation, and exchange of fingerprints and associated information is generally authorized under 28 U.S.C. 534. The collection of information on this form is also authorized by 34 U.S.C. 40901(f) and (g) and 28 CFR 25.10.

Principal Purpose: The principal purpose for requesting your fingerprints and associated information is to allow the FBI to respond to your inquiry or challenge of the reason your firearm, explosive, or related permit transaction was denied by the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) or Point of Contact (POC) state. The FBI will search your fingerprints in its Next Generation Identification (NGI) System to confirm your identity and to research the reason for your denial. Providing your fingerprints and associated information is voluntary; however, failure to do so may affect completion or approval of your inquiry or challenge.

Social Security Account Number (SSAN): Your SSAN (or the last 4 digits) is requested to keep records accurate because other people may have the same name and date of birth. Your SSAN will be used to assist with verifying your identity. You are not required to provide your SSAN; however, failure to provide your SSAN may delay the processing of your inquiry or challenge or require the submission of additional information to verify your identity.

Routine Uses: During the processing of your inquiry or challenge and for as long thereafter as your fingerprints and associated information are retained by the FBI, your information may be disclosed pursuant to your consent, and may be disclosed without your consent as permitted by the Privacy Act of 1974 and all applicable Routine Uses as may be published at any time in the Federal Register, including the Routine Uses for the NICS and the NGI System. Routine uses include, but are not limited to, disclosures to local, state, tribal, and territorial criminal justice agencies to determine whether transferring a firearm, explosive, or related permit to you is prohibited by state or federal law, or whether to grant or deny a challenge from a NICS transaction. Information you provide to support your inquiry or challenge may be used to update records in government databases.

Paper Reduction Act Statement:

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to provide the information requested unless a valid OMB control number is displayed. The valid OMB control number for this information collected is 1110-0046. The time required to complete this information collected is estimated to be 10 minutes, including time reviewing instructions, gathering, completing, reviewing and submitting the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of this time estimate or suggestions for reducing this burden, please send to: Department of Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Washington, DC 20530.