

# CALHOUN COUNTY COURTS

BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN

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## **PROCEDURE FOR BAIL BONDS PERSONS** **CALHOUN COUNTY MICHIGAN**

As required by MCLA 750.167(b), the Chief Judge annually compiles and maintains a list of persons engaged in the business of becoming surety upon bonds for compensation in criminal cases. The law further provides that the list may be added to by the judges "...upon proper application."

The Court has established the following procedure for compiling and maintaining the list:

Pursuant to Administrative Order 1988-6, the bondsperson makes proper application to the Court Administrator, representing his or her authority to write bonds as well as any limitations on that authority. The Court circulates the list to the appropriate agencies in accordance with law.

Persons desiring to engage in the business of becoming surety upon bonds must apply using one of two alternatives:

1. Answer a comprehensive inquiry into the applicant's property, debts, encumbrances, judgments, etc., or,
2. Follow a less comprehensive procedure whereby the bondsperson is backed by insurance. (See MCLA 765.20)

Applications must be submitted to Calhoun County Circuit Court Administration no later than November 15<sup>th</sup> of each year to be included in the January 1<sup>st</sup> annual listing.

Updates to the list will only be made quarterly. Deadlines to submit applications for the quarterly updates are: March 15<sup>th</sup>, June 15<sup>th</sup> and September 15<sup>th</sup>. Quarterly changes require a \$35.00 processing fee in the form of a check or money order made payable to Calhoun County.

### **To apply, please submit the following items:**

1. One Agency Cover Sheet.
2. One Application per agent. Please make sure the application is completed in full including the affidavit on the last page is dated, signed and notarized.
3. One Qualifying Power of Attorney for each applicant for surety. (If applicant is using property, please refer to application for required documentation.)
4. A copy of each applicant's driver license.
5. A copy of each applicant's resident producer license.

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