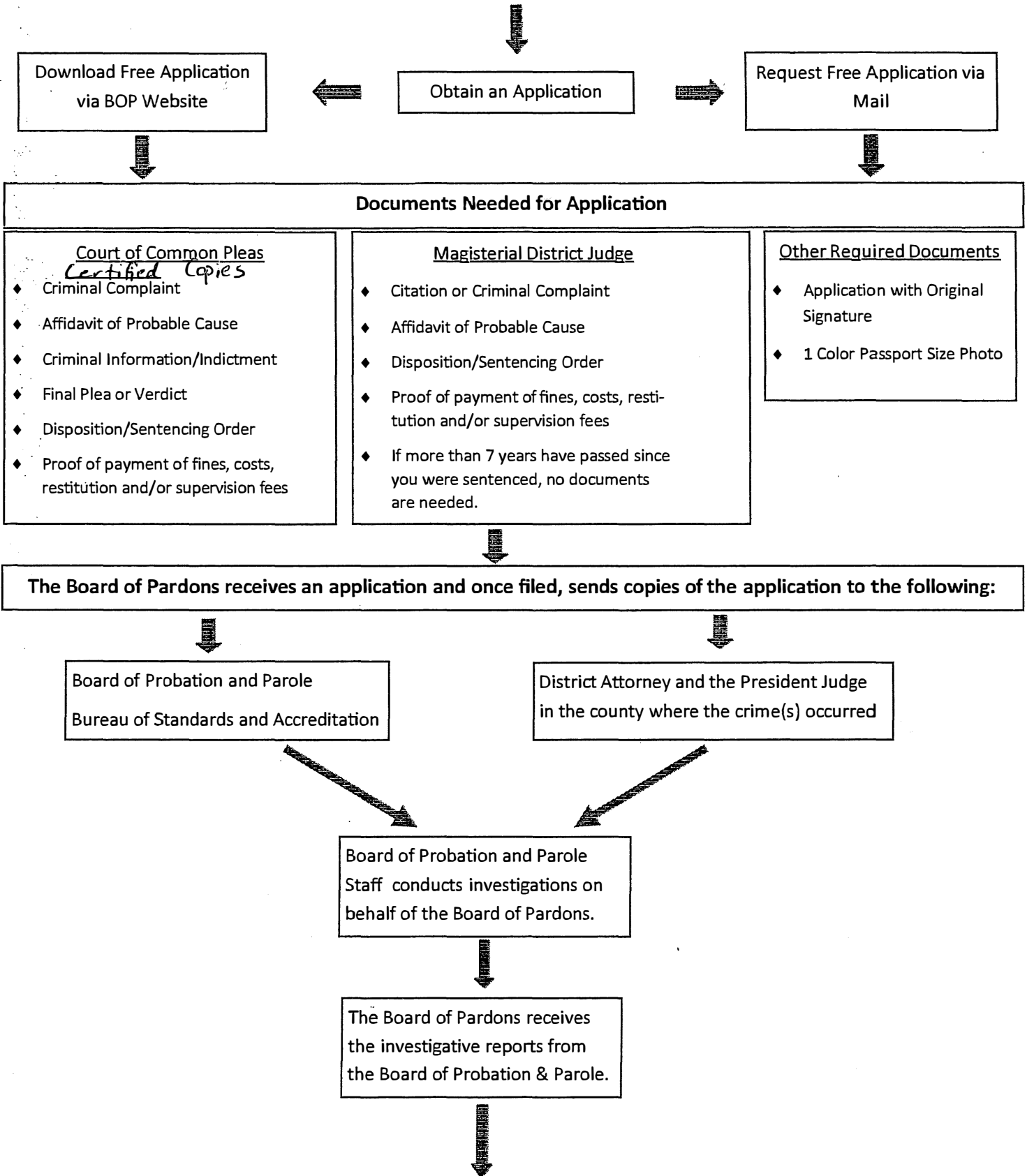


Application Process for Public Cases



Merit Review Session
Board members vote to determine if an application will be granted a public hearing.

Granted a Public Hearing
The Board will grant a Public Hearing if two of the five Board members approve.

Denied a Public Hearing
If the required number of votes are not obtained, the process ends, and the applicant will not receive a recommendation for a pardon or commutation.

- ◆ The applicant, representative (if applicable), and applicant's supporters have a total of 15 minutes to present their case.
- ◆ Victims or those in opposition also have a total of 15 minutes to present their opposition.

After all the applicants are heard, the Board adjourns, then returns to vote publicly. An applicant must receive a majority vote to be recommended.

- Reapplication:**
- ◆ The applicant may reapply 12 months from the date of the final adverse decision.
 - ◆ An applicant who receives two consecutive adverse decisions cannot file another application for 24 months after the date

Recommendation

Denied Recommendation

Recommendation goes to the Governor for final decision.

Governor Denies Clemency

Governor Grants Clemency

Notification Letters will be mailed out and applicants can re-apply.

Notification Letters will be mailed out and applicants are directed to contact the Clerk of Courts to Pursue an Expungement. The State Police are also notified.

Reconsideration
The applicant must show a change in circumstances since the application was filed, or other compelling reasons sufficient to justify reconsideration. Dissatisfaction with the Board's decision is not grounds to request reconsideration.

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