

APPLICATION FORM

Assistance for a judicial review of placement in a security cell or solitary confinement in prison.

Norwegian Bar Association's Solitary Confinement Group

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Last name: _____

First name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Date of birth: _____

Income: _____

Name of former attorney: _____

Check off what has been attached to the application:

1. Solitary confinement decision by the Norwegian Correctional Service (*kriminalomsorgen*).
2. Solitary confinement decision by an appellate authority.
3. Case number from the police and name of the defence counsel in the criminal case.
4. Justified application.
5. Signed power of attorney.

For cases that concern solitary confinement in prison, nos. 1, 4 and 5 must be attached. If a solitary confinement decision has been made by an appellate authority, no. 2 must be attached as well.

For cases that concern solitary confinement in a security cell, nos. 3, 4 and 5 must be attached. In order for the group to have sufficient information to determine whether they think the case should be pursued further, we must also have access to your criminal case documents. Due to this, the application must state the case number from the police and name of the defence counsel in the criminal case.

The justified application (4) must contain information on

- how long has the solitary confinement lasted
- when did the solitary confinement take place
- condition of health during solitary confinement

Sign to accept the following: I have read and understood the attached standard information, and would like legal assistance for the judicial review of placement in a security cell or a decision on solitary confinement in prison.

Place and date

Name/signature

Power of attorney (must be filled in)

I, _____, date of birth _____(DD/MM/YYYY),
give my consent to the staff of the Solitary Confinement Group to obtain information
on my criminal case and from others who are subject to professional secrecy.

Place and date

Signature

JUSTIFIED APPLICATION

I have been isolated in this prison/security cell:

Date and length of the isolation:

Description of the isolation:

(Please include condition of health during isolation.)

STANDARD INFORMATION TO APPLICANTS

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The Norwegian Bar Association's Solitary Confinement Group offers assistance for the judicial review of the legality of placement in a secured cell or solitary confinement in prison ordered by the Norwegian Correctional Service. We only select cases of fundamental importance with a reasonable opportunity to succeed in the legal system. There is no opportunity to appeal our decisions.

You can apply to the Solitary Confinement Group for assistance if

- you have been in a security cell, or
- the Norwegian Correctional Service or an appellate authority have made a decision on solitary confinement in prison,
- and you **are not represented** by another attorney in connection with the case for which you are seeking assistance.

Going to trial will entail a financial risk, even if you receive assistance from the Solitary Confinement Group. If the Solitary Confinement Group helps you with a judicial review of your case, you will not have to pay for your attorney. If you are not successful in court, you will, as a rule, however, have to pay the Norwegian State's costs, as well as court fees and collateral costs. The Solitary Confinement Group only offers in principle judicial review in the court of first instance (District Court). It will be up to the litigating attorney whether or not to bring the case before an appellate court.

How to apply:

- We only accept **written applications**. Please send by mail or deliver it to our office. Please note that you must not send sensitive personal data by e-mail.
- We **do not have personal meetings** with the applicants.
- The application must be in Norwegian or English, and contain:
 1. Decision on solitary confinement by the Norwegian Correctional Service and possibly an appellate authority.
 2. Case number from the police for the criminal case and name of the attorney who represented the application in the criminal case.
 3. The Solitary Confinement Group's application form, included the power of attorney. The forms can be downloaded from www.advokatforeningen.no.
 4. Justified application.

If you have had an attorney earlier, we will contact this attorney to clarify the case. The case may be dismissed if you are no longer in Norway.

You will receive written confirmation of receipt of your application, and then you will hear from us again **normally within 10 weeks**. The documents will be returned to you when the case is concluded. If we cannot get into contact with you, the documents will be destroyed after a period of time. If you change your address or telephone number before then, you must advise us of this.

We are subject to professional secrecy with regard to information disclosed to us as a result of working on your case. Applying for assistance and disclosing personal information to the Solitary Confinement Group is voluntary. The personal information in your case documents will only be used for the purpose of possibly bringing the case before the court. The information will be distributed to collaborators and the authorities as required in order to fulfil this purpose. The Norwegian Bar Association is the data controller with respect to handling the information. More information on the project and the processing rules is available at www.advokatforeningen.no.