



## CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

The Division of Criminal Justice has provided this form for use by Sheriff's offices/jails.  
**House Bill 21-1280** *Concerning Measures to assist defendants in securing release from jail through the bond process* amends Section 1 (2)(a), (2)(e); and adds (2)(h), (2)(i), and (2)(j) in Section 1 of **16-4-102** of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

This is to Certify that **Sheriff's Office/ jail:** La Plata County Sheriff's Office

- Created notices of legal rights to posting money bond and information about how to file a complaint about violations of Subsections (2)(b) to (2)(g).
- Posted the notices on the Sheriff's website, placed in the common area of the jail in a location clearly visible to the inmates, included on the inmate handbook, available in the area of the bonding counter and provided to any individual inquiring about posting bond.
- Created written policies and posted the policies on the Sheriff's website; distributed to all staff and train all staff who process bonds or interact with inmates on the policies

**In accordance with Subsection (2) of Section 16-4-102, Colorado Revised Statutes**

Joe Thome  
Division Director

April 5, 2022  
Date Signed



**(h)(I)(A) Each Sheriff Shall post the following notice of rights on the Sheriff's website and information about how to file a complaint about violations of subsections {2}(b) to {2}(g) of this section:**

**Legal rights related to posting money bond pursuant to section 16-4-102, Colorado Revised Statutes**

1. Bond fees, booking fees, and other fees or debts never need to be paid to secure a person's release on money bond. A payor need only pay the bond amount in order to secure release.
2. While never a basis to hold a defendant in jail, the following fees are chargeable as a debt to the defendant after release if the payor chooses not to pay the fees at the time of bonding: a \$10 bond fee and a maximum 3.5% credit card payment fee. No other bond-related fees may be charged at any time, including any kiosk fees or fees for payment by cash, check, or money order.
3. Bond payments are to be made out to the holding county and are never to be made out in the name of the incarcerated person.
4. A sheriff must release a defendant within six hours after a personal recognizance bond is set and the defendant has returned to jail or within six hours after a cash bond has been set and the defendant has returned to jail and the defendant or surety notified the jail that bond is prepared to be posted, unless extraordinary circumstances exist. In the event of a delay of more than six hours, a surety and the defendant have a right to know what, if any, extraordinary circumstance is causing the delay. Supervisory conditions of release do not justify a delay in release; except that a sheriff may hold a defendant for up to 24 hours if necessary to ensure a defendant is fitted with required electronic monitoring.
5. Anyone who posts a money bond has the right to receive a copy of the bond paperwork, including documentation of the next upcoming court date.
6. A surety may never be asked to use posted bond money to pay a defendant's debts. Only when defendants have posted their own money bond may they be asked if they would like to voluntarily relinquish bond money to pay their debts. Relinquishment of bond money by a defendant to pay a debt is never required and is entirely a voluntary choice by the defendant.

If you would like to file a complaint about a violation of these provisions listed, please visit the following website to submit your complaint:

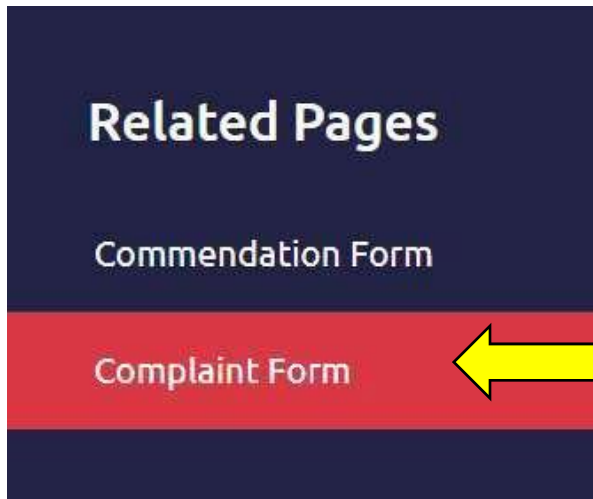
## LPCSO.ORG



Once you navigate to the Sheriff's Office homepage, please scroll down and look for the blue box as shown on the left.

**Click here**

Once you click on the blue box above, you will be directed to the following:



**Click Complaint Form to**

**access the document**

Once you have filled out the complaint form, please email to:

**Kailla.myers@co.laplata.co.us**