

Mississippi's 22 Disfranchising Crimes (That Take Away Your Right To Vote For Life)

Plus Included MS Criminal Code Sections & Disfranchising Dispositions Provided by The Secretary of State Via Public Records Act Response

1. ARSON	
97-17-1	Arson - Dwelling or Outbuilding
97-17-11	Arson - Insured Property
97-17-13	Arson - Timber, Woods, Meadow, Marsh
97-17-3	Arson - Church/School Building (State-Supported)
97-17-5	Arson - Structure, Not Dwelling or School
97-17-7	Arson - Personal Property
97-17-9	Arson: Attempt, Aid or Induce to Burn (4th Degree)
2. BAD CHECK (felony)	
97-19-55	Bad Checks: Fraudulently Deliver Insufficient Instrument (Indictment)
97-19-57	Bad Checks: Evidence/Presumption of fraudulent intent (Indictment)
97-19-59	Bad Checks: Penalties (Sentence)
3. BIGAMY	
97-29-13	Bigamy
4. BRIBERY	
97-11-11	Bribery of Acting or Prospective Officer, Trustee, Agent
97-11-13	Bribery: Acceptance by Officer, Agent, Trustee
97-29-17	Bribery: Participant in Professional/Amateur Game or Athletic Contest
97-7-53	Bribery/Influencing: Legislator
97-7-55	Bribery: Legislator Accepting/Agreeing to Accept
97-9-10	Bribery, Commercial: Give/Offer/Accept Value to Influence Action
97-9-5	Bribery, Juror: Acceptance/Offer to Influence Outcome
97-9-65	Bribery of Witness to Commit Perjury
97-9-7	Bribery: Rewarded to Compound/Conceal Crime w/Life/Death Penalty
97-9-9	Bribery: Rewarded to Compound/Conceal Crime w/Less than Life Penalty
5. CARJACKING	
97-3-117	Carjacking
97-3-117(1)	Carjacking: Taking Vehicle from One's Possession by Force
97-3-117(2)	Carjacking, Armed: Taking Vehicle by Use of Weapon
6. EMBEZZLEMENT (felony)	
97-11-25	Embezzlement: Entrusted Public Property/Funds Converted for Own Use
97-11-29	Embezzlement: Fraudulent Accounting by Public Officer (Penalty)
97-11-31	Embezzlement or Fraud Committed by Public Official (Penalty)
97-23-19	Embezzlement by Agent/Officer/Trustee of Company or Private Individual
97-23-25	Embezzlement: Money on Deposit; Property in Trust/Received on Contract
7. EXTORTION	
97-11-33	Extortion: Collection of Fees for Unrendered Services (felony)
97-3-82(3)(b)	Extortion: of Property of another valued at \$500 or more
8. FALSE PRETENSES, FOR MONEY/GOODS	
97-19-39	False Pretenses: Procure Thing of Value by Fraudulent Representation
97-19-41	False Pretenses: Fraudulent Representation of Evidence of Debt
97-19-45	False Pretenses: Produce Child with Intent to Intercept Inheritance
97-19-49	False Pretenses: Registering Animal Falsely; Giving False Pedigree
97-19-51	False Pretenses: Obtain/Deliver Goods Previously Encumbered (Indict.)

9. FORGERY	
97-21-13	Forgery: Owning Counterfeit US Coins (Indictment)
97-21-15	Forgery: Owning Counterfeit Foreign Coinage (Indictment)
97-21-17	Forgery: Possession counterfeit gold/silver coins w/intent to utter
97-21-19	Forgery: Signature Purporting to be Agent/Officer of Corporation
97-21-23	Forgery: Possession of Counterfeit Printing Plates of Tender
97-21-29	Forgery: Making/uttering instrument in own name as act of another
97-21-3	Forgery: Failure of Corporate Officer to Maintain Accurate Accounts
97-21-33	Forgery - Penalty (Sentence)
97-21-35	Pleadings, process & other court papers, licenses, or wr. Instruments
97-21-37	Forgery: Possession Counterfeit Bank Notes w/Intention to Utter
97-21-49	Counterfeit/forged documents: Sale/exchange guilty of forgery
97-21-7	Forgery: False Certification of Instrument or Conveyance
97-21-9	Forgery: Counterfeit/Altered Stock Certificates, Security (Indictment)
10-13. LARCENY; TIMBER LARC.; THEFT; TAKE VEHICLE	
97-17-41	Grand Larceny
97-17-41(1)	Larceny, Grand: of an Individual, Property Valued at \$500 or more
97-17-41(2)	Larceny, Grand: of a church valued at \$500 or more
97-17-42	Larceny, Grand: Vehicle of Another
97-17-53	Larceny: Livestock
97-17-59	Larceny: Timber
97-17-64	Larceny: Under Lease/Rental Agreement
14. MURDER (not manslaughter)	
97-3-19	Murder/Homicide/Capital Murder (Defined/Indictment)
97-3-19(1)	Murder
97-3-19(1)(a)	Murder: Deliberate act to effect death
97-3-19(1)(b)	Murder: During commission of dangerous act, without premeditation
97-3-19(1)(c)	Murder: During commission of other felony, without premeditation
97-3-19(1)(d)	Murder: Deliberate design to effect death of unborn child
97-3-19(2)	Capital Murder
97-3-19(2)(a)	Capital Murder of a peace officer
97-3-19(2)(b)	Capital Murder: by individual under sentence of life imprisonment
97-3-19(2)(c)	Capital Murder: by use or detonation of explosive device
97-3-19(2)(d)	Capital Murder: by contract
97-3-19(2)(e)	Capital Murder: with or without design in commission of other felony
97-3-19(2)(f)	Capital Murder: while engaged in felonious abuse/batter of a child
97-3-19(2)(g)	Capital Murder: on educational property
97-3-19(2)(h)	Capital Murder: of elected official
97-3-19(3)	Murder/Capital Murder: indictment may include lesser included offense
97-3-21	Murder/Homicide/Capital Murder (Penalty)
97-3-37(1)	Homicide; killing of an unborn quick child

15. PERJURY	
97-9-59	Perjury: Defined - Swear to/Testify Falsely Under Oath (Indictment)
97-9-61	Perjury: Penalty
97-9-65	Perjury: Subornation (Procurement of Witness to Commit Perjury)
16. RAPE	
97-3-65(4)	Rape/Sexual Intercourse by use of Substance to Render Victim Helpless
97-3-67	Rape; Carnal Knowledge of Unmarried Person over 14, under 18
97-3-71	Rape: Assault w/Intent to Ravish Female of Previous Chaste Character
17. RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY	
97-17-70	Receiving Stolen Property (Felony)
97-37-35	Weapon, Stolen: Possession, Sale, etc.
97-37-35(3)(a)	Weapon, Stolen: Possession, Sale, etc. - First offense
97-37-35(3)(b)	Weapon, Stolen: Possession, Sale, etc. - Second, etc., Trafficking
97-37-35(3)(c)	Weapon, Stolen: Possession, Sale, etc. - Two or more weapons
97-37-35(4)	Weapon, Stolen: Used in commission of other crime(s)
18. ROBBERY	
97-3-73	Robbery: Taking Person Property by Fear/Violence (Indictment)
97-3-75	Robbery (Penalty)
19. ROBBERY, ARMED	
97-3-79	Robbery, Armed: Use of a Deadly Weapon
20. SHOPLIFTING (felony)	
97-23-93 (6)-(7)	Felony Shoplifting
97-23-94	Shoplifting - Aiding/Abetting Minor by Person >=18
21. STATUTORY RAPE	
97-3-65	Rape, Statutory; Sexual Intercourse or Rape of Child under age of 16
97-3-65(1)(a)	Statutory rape: person >17 intercourse w/child
97-3-65(1)(b)	Statutory rape; perpetrator any age
97-3-65(3)(b)	Statutory rape 21 or older (sentencing statutes)
97-3-65(3)(c)	Statutory rape 18 or older (sentencing statute)
97-3-65(3)(d)	Statutory rape >= 13 and < 18 (sentencing statute)
97-3-65(a)	Rape, statutory: >=18 and <21 (Sentencing Statutes)
22. VOTE FRAUD	
97-13-1	Elections: Bribery of Elector or Election Officer

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This is general voter education information. We can't provide you with a legal opinion regarding whether you are personally eligible to vote. We recommend that you seek legal advice if you were convicted of a crime that may fall within one of the main 22 Disfranchising Crimes and you aren't certain if it does. If you are not certain of what you have been convicted of, you may want to first ask your MDOC counselor for that information in writing.

- It is a felony to vote if ineligible due to conviction of a disfranchising crime.
- Only felony convictions are disfranchising; misdemeanor convictions are not.
- Only convictions in Mississippi state courts are disfranchising; others are not.

All Dispositions That Are Convictions For The 22 Crimes Are Disfranchising, Including

Guilty Plea | Sentencing Deferred | Guilty Plea After Commencement | Found Guilty By Verdict Of Judge/Jury House Arrest | Supervised Probation | Nolo Contendere | Probation Ordered, Modified Or Cont. | Probation Completed | Regimented Inmate Discipline Shock Probation | Sentenced To Time Served | Revocation Of Probation Or Suspended Sen | Resentenced | Expungement of Records | Rid Review | Sentence Entirely Suspended. | Restitution | Sentenced To Incarceration

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