



Division of Criminal Justice Services

TO: All Law Enforcement Agencies

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SUBJECT: Arrest Alert Web App Addition

The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), through the eJustice portal, has created an application designed to monitor persons of interest through email, text messaging, and now via push-notifications sent through the newly created mobile app. This application is known as Arrest Alert. This added feature to the Arrest Alert Application will now allow users the option to download the Arrest Alert Mobile Application, which will allow them to access their arrest alerts in real time on their mobile device. The mobile application is available for iPhone as well as Android. The user manual demonstrates how users can download the app to their mobile device, set up login, and access arrest alert subscriptions.

The arrest alert application assists state and local police officers, peace officers and prosecutors by sending an immediate notification when a person of interest has been arrested and the fingerprints have been processed by DCJS. Users of the Arrest Alert application can subscribe to persons of interest using the New York State Identification number (NYSID). Once a subscription is established the user will begin to receive arrest alerts which are delivered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The Arrest Alert was developed in response to requests from jurisdictions to have a better method to monitor the activities of top offenders. Users who had previously utilized the NYSID Subscription application on the portal have not been able to subscribe to any new NYSID's effective December 15, 2019 and should now use the Arrest Alert application that includes enhanced features.

Arrest Alert notifications are sent via a short message service (SMS) text message to the user's mobile device and eJustice Portal inbox, or now through push-notifications sent via the Arrest Alert Mobile App. This system came to fruition after discussions with agencies such as the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office, the Baltimore Maryland State's Attorney's Office, the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, and St. Louis District Attorney's Office; all of whom employ systems to track persons of interest. Some of the practical uses of this application include an enhanced way to monitor top/chronic offenders; timely notice of debriefing opportunities; informed bail applications and/or sentencing recommendations; timely notification to the court about new arrests; identification of violations of probation or parole such as curfews and other plea conditions; cold-case investigations; and enhanced intelligence sharing.

The Arrest Alert User Manual is available on the eJustice Portal at [Resources](#) » [Reference Library](#) » [Law Enforcement](#) – Training Resources. This training manual will guide arrest alert users (state and local law enforcement, county probation and state parole officers, and county prosecutors) through the steps necessary to access the Arrest Alert application via the eJustice portal in order to subscribe to arrest alerts. The training manual will also provide directions on managing subscriptions for both the general subscriber and the agency administrator roles.

Users can get access to the Arrest Alert application under eJustice Portal by requesting the “IJ_AA_Subscriber” or “IJ_AA_Agency_Admin” roles through their TACs. Please feel free to contact the New York State ITS Help-Desk for assistance at 844-891-1786 or fixit@its.ny.gov.

For other non-technical questions, please feel free to contact Charles Tyree at Charles.tyree@dcjs.ny.gov or at 518-485-7623.

Sincerely,

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