



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

John Q. Public
123 Any Road
Somewhere, DC 20056

Dear Mr. Public:

The Department of State has revoked U.S. Passport number(s) 123456789 [and ADD ADDITIONAL PASSPORT NUMBERS IF MORE THAN ONE], issued to you on [DATE or DATES IF MORE THAN ONE], along with any other valid passports issued to you, pursuant to 22 C.F.R. §§ 51.60(a)(2) and 51.62(a)(1). These regulations provide that a U.S. passport may be revoked when the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) has certified that the bearer is in arrears of child support as described in 42 U.S.C. § 652(k). The regulations cited in this letter may be found online at <http://www.ecfr.gov>.

The Secretary of HHS certified that you are in arrears of child support under 42 U.S.C. § 652(k). Therefore, you are not entitled to a U.S. passport and your passport(s) is/are revoked.

Under 22 C.F.R. §§ 51.7 and 51.66, the U.S. passport remains the property of the U.S. Government and must be surrendered upon demand. Please immediately return U.S. Passport number(s) 123456789 [and ADD ADDITIONAL PASSPORT NUMBERS IF MORE THAN ONE] and any other valid U.S. passports issued to you to the following address: U.S. Department of State, attn: [XZ00], CA/PPT/S/L/LA, 44132 Mercure Circle, P.O. Box 1227, Sterling, VA 20166-1227. Any further use of a U.S. passport is a felony. See 18 U.S.C. § 1544.

There is no administrative appeal before the Department of State. The Department of State has no further information concerning your child support obligations. HHS received your name from a state child support enforcement agency. Note that many states have a \$0 balance policy before allowing passport issuance to an individual who was previously in arrearage. The Department of State cannot override this policy. You must contact the state agency for information about your case. A list of state child support enforcement agencies may be found online at: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/state-and-tribal-child-support-agency-contacts>.

You may reapply for a passport once HHS certifies to the Department of State that you have satisfied the child support arrearage, a process that normally takes three to four weeks after you have made satisfactory payment arrangements with the state child support agency.

Sincerely,

Bureau of Consular Affairs
Passport Services
Office of Legal Affairs and

Law Enforcement Liaison