



Office of  
Victim Services

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Director

Claim #: \_\_\_\_\_

Claimant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Victim/Claimant's Authorization:**

I ACKNOWLEDGE that accepting an award from the Office of Victim Services (OVS) creates a lien in favor of the State of New York on any recovery relating to the crime upon which this claim is based, including any judgment, settlement or order of restitution. I further authorize any funeral director, attorney, employer, police or other public authority, insurance company or any person who rendered services to the above, or having knowledge of the same, to furnish the OVS or its representatives the following information: Workers' Compensation records, information relating to the crime or any injuries or death suffered as the result of the crime, and information relating to this claim. If an award is made, I authorize the OVS to make payments directly to the provider of services. I also authorize the OVS to share my information and records compiled for this claim with the local Victim Assistance Program (VAP) in order for the VAP to assist the OVS in processing my claim and making its determination. If a private lawyer has been indicated in my application, I also authorize the OVS to share my information and records compiled for this claim with the lawyer in order for him/her to act as my representative. I understand a separate Notice of Appearance from my lawyer will be needed in addition to this authorization. If a family member, friend or other person is indicated in my application, I authorize the OVS to share my information and records compiled for this claim with that person in order that they assist me with this claim.

**A photocopy of this authorization shall be deemed as effective as the original.**

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Claimant's Signature                      Date                      Daytime Phone #

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

