

# JUS8715/8715A INSTRUCTIONS AND CODE EXPLANATIONS

Please refer to the  
DISPOSITION REPORTING GUIDE  
for complete instructions.

## SUBJECT INFORMATION

The agency that initiates the JUS 8715/8715A must fill out this section.

### A. LAW ENFORCEMENT

The JUS 8715/8715A is to be initiated by the agency that makes an arrest for which a fingerprint-based arrest report has been submitted to the California Department of Justice (DOJ). The arresting/booking agency should complete Section A then either furnish the form to the DOJ (if disposition is final) or route the form to the prosecution when requesting that charges be filed.

Enter one of the following codes to indicate final disposition at the law enforcement level:

#### 849(b)(1) PC

- 1 Complainant Refuses to Prosecute
- 2 Arrestee Exonerated
- 3 Further Investigation
- 4 Admissible Evidence Insufficient
- 5 Ascertainable Evidence Insufficient
- 6 849(b)(2) PC
- 7 849(b)(3) PC
- 8\* Other Law Enforcement Disposition

#### Out-of-County Warrant Releases

- 10 Released on Bail
- 11 Extradition Proceedings
- 12 Cited and Released
- 13 Release/Enroute to Other Agency/Jurisdiction (Specify in Remarks Area)

\* Enter the particular reason(s) for release in the "Remarks" area of Section A of the JUS 8715.

### B. PROSECUTION

The prosecuting agency is responsible for completing Section B on the JUS 8715 when deferring or rejecting any charge.

Enter one of the following disposition codes in the corresponding charge box for each charge deferred or rejected:

- A Lack of Corpus
- B Lack of Sufficient Evidence
- C Inadmissible Search/Seizure
- D Victim Unavailable/Decline to Testify
- E Witness Unavailable/Decline to Testify
- F Combined with other Counts/Cases
- G Interest of Justice
- H Other (indicate reason in "Remarks" area)
- I Referred to Non-California Jurisdiction
- J Deferred for Revocation of Parole
- K Further Investigation
- L Prosecutor Prefiling Deferral

After deferral, the prosecutor is responsible for completing Section B, Reopen from Prosecution Prefiling Deferral, on the JUS 8715A.

### C. COURT

When the court initiates the disposition document, the complete booking information must be added by the court, or the disposition must be forwarded to the booking agency for the missing arrest/booking information. In cases where the subject has not already been booked, the court should order the subject booked. The court is responsible for initiating a disposition document when:

- The JUS 8715 was not initiated by a law enforcement agency, but the subject appeared in court.
- The case was reopened, retried, or subsequent action occurred. Use the JUS 8715A to record this information.

The court is responsible for completing Sections C, D, E, F, and G on the JUS 8715 and Sections C, D, E, F, G, and H on the JUS 8715A.

Enter one of the following dismissal codes in the corresponding charge box for each charge dismissed:

- a\* 1385 PC - Dismissal in the furtherance of justice.
- b 1377-1378 PC - Case compromised/restitution or satisfaction made.
- c 871 PC - Court found insufficient cause.
- d 1381-1382 PC - Delay - not filed/brought to trial within time.
- e\* 995 PC - Accusation set aside.
- f 1008 PC - Defective accusation.
- g 1099 PC - Defendant became witness for the people.
- h 1100 PC - Insufficient evidence - witness for codefendant.
- i 1185-1187-1188 PC - Judgment arrested - defendant discharged.
- j 1185-1187-1188 PC - Judgment arrested - defendant recommitted.
- k\* Mistrial - defendant discharged.
- l\* Mistrial - defendant recommitted.
- m\* Any dismissal other than a through l.

\* Note the particular reason(s) for dismissal or declaration of mistrial in the "Remarks" area of Section E of the JUS 8715 and Section F of the JUS 8715A.

## ROUTING

All pages of the JUS 8715/8715A forms accompany case documentation as it is forwarded to each agency involved in processing the case. Once a final disposition is rendered, the original first page is sent to the DOJ at the following address:



- A. JUS 8715:** The second page (blue) is retained by the law enforcement agency if final disposition occurred at the law enforcement level. If final disposition occurred at any other level, the second page (blue) should be returned to the law enforcement agency when final disposition occurs. The third page (green) is retained by the court having final jurisdiction.
- B. JUS 8715A:** The last page (JUS 8715A) is retained by the court and used to report any pertinent subsequent action information. Once completed, the original JUS 8715A is mailed to the DOJ, a photocopy is forwarded to the law enforcement agency, and a photocopy is retained by the court.

**CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING PROSECUTION  
REJECT CATEGORY CODES**

The below examples contain possible prosecution reject category code reasons and are provided for agency reference only. This list is not all-inclusive and may include other reasons as determined by prosecuting agencies.

<b>Code A. Lack of Corpus</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Insufficient evidence to prove crime occurred</li> <li>Incomplete evidence of corpus</li> <li>Incomplete evidence of wrongful intent</li> <li>Insufficient proof of value</li> <li>Insufficient evidence of corpus</li> <li>No jurisdiction</li> <li>Statute of Limitation</li> </ul>	<b>Code E. Witness Unavailable/Decline to Testify</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Witness Privilege</li> <li>Other witness considerations</li> </ul>
<b>Code B. Lack of Sufficient Evidence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Insufficient evidence to connect suspect</li> <li>Insufficient nexus (connect defendant to crime)</li> <li>Inadmissible statement of defendant</li> <li>No corroboration</li> <li>Analysis report unavailable/negative</li> <li>Other evidentiary considerations</li> <li>Other testimonial considerations</li> <li>Inadmissible identification</li> <li>Inadequate identification by either direct or circumstantial evidence</li> <li>Insufficient quantity</li> <li>Witness not credible/unable to qualify/uncooperative/changed story</li> <li>Refusal/failure to locate/disclose informant</li> <li>Defective line-up</li> </ul>	<b>Code F. Combined with other Counts/Cases</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Declined in favor of other counts/cases</li> <li>More/less severe charge(s) filed</li> </ul>
<b>Code C. Inadmissible Search and Seizure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Questionable stop/detention</li> <li>Questionable PC for arrest/not in officer's presence</li> <li>Questionable search of person</li> <li>Questionable search of vehicle</li> <li>Questionable knock and notice</li> <li>Questionable consent</li> <li>Questionable execution (search warrant)</li> <li>Questionable search and seizure problem</li> <li>Evidence establishing corpus unreasonably seized</li> </ul>	<b>Code G. Interest of Justice</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exonerating evidence/information revealed</li> <li>Nature of offense/relationship of the parties</li> <li>Defendant pled/found guilty of other charges/cases</li> <li>Defendant sentenced other charges/cases</li> <li>Other charges/cases pending</li> <li>Police request no prosecution</li> <li>Civil remedy sought (resolve by arbitration hearing)</li> <li>No sentence advantage</li> <li>Plea to other charges/cases</li> <li>Made restitution</li> <li>Plea to other jurisdiction</li> <li>Defendant provided immunity</li> </ul>
<b>Code D. Victim Unavailable/Decline to Testify</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Victim uncooperative</li> <li>Other victim considerations</li> <li>Victim declines to prosecute</li> <li>Victim requests no prosecution</li> </ul>	<b>Code H. Other – Indicate the reason in the “Remarks” Section</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Referred to the Attorney General</li> <li>Other due process considerations</li> <li>Other jurisdictional considerations</li> </ul>
		<b>Code I. Referred to Non-California Jurisdiction</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Referred to other out-of-state jurisdiction</li> <li>Referred to the U.S. Attorney General</li> <li>Referred to military authority</li> </ul>
		<b>Code J. Deferred to Revocation of Parole</b>	
		<b>Code K. Further Investigation</b>	
		<b>Code L. Prosecutor Prefiling Deferral</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District/city attorney prefile diversion</li> <li>District/city attorney hearing</li> <li>Office hearing</li> </ul>