

# Statutes of Limitation on Child Sexual Abuse

## 50 States and the District of Columbia

### HELPFUL TERMINOLOGY

#### STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS:

A statute of limitations (or SOL), simply, is the maximum amount of time one has to bring a lawsuit from the time of the injury or other ground for a lawsuit. For example, if your state has a 5-year statute of limitations on child sexual abuse, then a victim has 5 years from the date of the injury to file a claim, unless your state has what is called a “discovery rule.” The discovery rule is explained in detail below.

#### TOLLING:

Under certain circumstances, a statute of limitations is “tolled.” When this happens, the statute of limitations will not begin to run until a certain event occurs. Most often, this means that a statute of limitations will not run until a victim of child sexual abuse turns 18 years old. Using the example above, a victim will have 5 years from the time they turn 18 in a state with a 5-year statute of limitations that tolls until the age of 18.

#### DISCOVERY RULE:

Some states’ statutes of limitations do not begin to run until a claim “accrues.” Instead of the limitation period starting to run from the date of an actual injury, it begins to run from the date of “accrual.” Most often, in the context of claims of child sexual abuse, accrual does not occur until a victim “discovers” any injuries. States vary greatly in applying this rule, and some do not use altogether.

#### CIVIL V. CRIMINAL:

It is important to keep civil proceedings separate from criminal prosecutions. Civil claims are brought by victims to recover for their injuries. Criminal actions involve criminal punishments given by the state.

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## **CIVIL STATUTES OF LIMITATION ON CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIMS**

<b>STATE</b>	<b>LIMITATIONS PERIODS</b>	<b>TOLLING</b>	<b>DISCOVERY RULE</b>
Alabama	<b>19 + 2 years</b> Ala. Code § 6-2-38(l) (2010) Floyd v. Donahue, 186 Ariz. 409, 923 P.2d 875 (Ct. App. 1996); Ala. Code§ 6-2-38(n) (2010)	<b>yes</b> Ala. Code § 6-2-8 ; Ala. Code § 6-2-3 (2010)	<b>no</b> <i>Travis v. Ziter</i> , 681 So.2d 1348, 1354 (Ala. 1996); <u>Garrett v. Raytheon Co.</u> , 368 So. 2d 516, 521 (Ala. 1979).
Alaska	<b>18 + 2-3 Years</b>  <b>none for felony sex abuse of minor</b> Alaska Stat. § 09.10.065(a) (2010)  <b>3 Years for misdemeanor sex abuse of minor</b> Alaska Stat. § 09.10.065 (b) (2010)  <b>2 years for all other claims</b> Alaska Stat. § 09.10.070.	<b>yes</b> Alaska Stat. § 09.10.140(a)	<b>yes</b> Alaska Stat. § 09.10.140(b); <i>Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska v. Does 1-6</i> , 141 P3d 719, 725 (Alaska 2006)
Arizona	<b>18 + 2 years</b> Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 12-542 (2010); <i>Floyd v. Donahue</i> , 186 Ariz. 409, 923 P.2d 875 (Az. Ct. App. 1996; Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 12-502 (2010)	<b>yes</b> <i>Logerquist v. Danforth</i> , 188 Ariz. 16, 21, 932 P.2d 281, 286 (Ariz.App. Div. 2 1996).	<b>yes</b> <i>Doe v. Roe</i> , 955 P.2d 951, 960 (Ariz. 1998) ; <i>Watson v. Roman Catholic Church of the Diocese of Phoenix, Inc.</i> , 393 Ariz. Adv. Rep. 17, 64 P.3d 195 (Az. Ct. App. 2002)
Arkansas	<b>21 + 3 years</b> Ark. Code Ann. § 16-56-116 (2010); Ark. Code Ann. § 16-56-130; Ark Code Ann. §16-56-116 (a); <i>Phillips v. Sugrue</i> , 800 F. Supp. 789 (E.D. Ark. 1992).	<b>yes</b> Ark. Code Ann. § 16-56-116 (2010); <i>Barre v. Hoffman</i> , No. 07-1305, 2009 Ark. LEXIS 400, *6-7 (Ark. 2009)	<b>yes</b> Ark. Code Ann. § 16-56-130(a)-(b)
California	<b>18 + 8 Years</b> Ca. Civ. Proc. Code § 340.1(a)(1)-(3)(2010) (action committing an act of childhood sexual abuse.)	<b>yes</b> <i>Mark K. v. Roman Catholic Archbishop</i> , 67 Cal.App.4th 603, 614, 79 Cal.Rptr.2d 73, 79 (Cal. Ct. App. 1998).	<b>yes</b> Ca. Civ. Proc. Code § 340.1(a)-(g); <i>K.J. v. Arcadia Unified School Dist.</i> , 92 Cal.Rptr.3d 1, (Cal. App. 2 Dist. 2009); <i>Mark K. v. Roman Catholic Archbishop</i> , 1998 Cal. App. LEXIS 905 *6--*7 (Cal. Ct. App. 1998).
Colorado	<b>18 + 6 Years –sex abuse claims</b> Colo. Rev. Stat. § 13-80-103.7(1) (2009).	<b>yes</b> <i>Sandoval v. Archdiocese of Denver</i> , 8 P.3d 598, 601 (Colo. App. 2000); Colo. Rev. Stat. § 13-80-103.7(3.5)(a).	<b>yes</b> Colo. Rev. Stat. § 13-80-103.7(1)

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	<b>18 + 2 Years - vicarious liability</b> Colo. Rev. Stat. § 13-80-102(1)(a).		
Connecticut	<p><b>18 + no SOL if events forming the civil claim led to conviction of first-degree aggravated sexual or sexual assault</b> Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52-577e;</p> <p><b>18 + 30 yrs for offenses which did not lead to 1st degree criminal conviction</b> Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52-577d</p> <p><b>18 + 2 years for negligence</b> Conn Gen Stat 52-584.</p>	<p><b>yes</b></p> <p>Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52-595 (2010); Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52-577e; Tarnowsky v. Socci, 271 Conn. 284, 856 A.2d 408 (2004)</p>	<p><b>yes</b></p> <p>Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52-577d ;Doe v. Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corp., 279 Conn. 207, 901 A.2d 673, 2006 Conn. LEXIS 280 (2006).</p>
Delaware	<p><b>18 + No SOL as to perpetrator or as to gross negligence against employer</b> Del. Code Ann. tit. 10, § 8145(a)-(b)(2010); <i>McClure v. Catholic Diocese of Wilmington, Inc.</i>, 2008 Del. Super. LEXIS 509 (Del. Super. Ct. Jan. 9, 2008).</p> <p><b>18 + 2-3 years if no gross negligence</b></p> <p><b>3yr SOL</b> Del. Code Ann. tit. 10 § 8106. (a)</p> <p><b>2 yrs</b> Del Code Ann tit 10 § 8119 (2010)</p>	<p><b>yes</b></p> <p>Del. Code Ann. tit. 10, § 8116; <i>Tilden v. Anstreicher</i>, 367 A.2d 632, 634-35 (Del. 1976).</p>	<p><b>yes</b></p> <p><i>Whitwell v. Archmere Acad., Inc.</i>, 2008 Del. Super. LEXIS 141, at *18 (Del. Super. Ct. 2008).</p>
District of Columbia	<p><b>18 + 7 Years [or +3 from discovery, whichever is later]</b> D.C. Code § 12-301(11) (2010)</p>	<p><b>yes</b></p> <p>D.C. Code § 12-301(11) (2010)</p>	<p><b>Yes - Plus 3 Years (all claims)</b> D.C. Code § 12-301(11) (2010); <i>Farris v. Compton</i>, 652 A.2d 49 (D.C. 1994).</p>

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Florida	<p><b>None for sexual batteries committed against victims under 16 years old.</b> Fla. Stat. Ann. § 95.11 (10).</p> <p><b>18/end of dependency + 7 Years for sexual abuse claims generally.</b> Fla. Stat. Ann. § 95.11(7) (2010).</p> <p><b>18 + 4 yrs for negligence</b> Fla. Stat. Ann. § 95.11(3)(a)(2010).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> Fla. Stat. Ann. § 95.11(7) (2010); Fla. Stat. § 95.031(2) (a)</p>	<p><b>yes</b> Fla. Stat. Ann. § 95.11(7) (2010); <i>Tobin v. Damian</i>, 772 So. 2d 13, 2000 Fla. App. LEXIS 9648 (Fla. Dist. Ct. App. 4th Dist. 2000); <i>Doe v. Dorsey</i>, 683 So. 2d 614, 617 (Fla. Dist. Ct. App. 5th Dist. 1996).</p>
Georgia	<p><b>18 + 5 Years for sex abuse</b> Ga. Code Ann. § 9-3-33.1(b) (2010). Ga. Code Ann. § 9-3-33.1(a)(2010)</p> <p><b>18 + 2 yrs for other torts, negligence</b> Ga. Code Ann. § 9-3-31 (2010).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> Ga. Code Ann. § 9-3-33.1 (2010); Ga. Code Ann. § 39-1-1; Ga Code Ann. §9-3-99; <i>Blalock v. Anneewakee, Inc.</i>, 206 Ga. App. 676, 678 (Ga. App. 1992).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> <i>M.H.D. v. Westminster Schs.</i>, 172 F.3d 797, 804-5 (11th Cir. 1999).</p>
Hawaii	<p><b>18 + 2 Years (all claims)</b> Haw. Rev. Stat. § 657-7, 13 (2010)</p>	<p><b>yes</b> Haw. Rev. Stat. § 657-13 (2010); Haw. Rev. Stat. § 657-20; <i>Gast v. Sung Ki Kwak</i>, 396 F. Supp. 2d 1150 (Haw. 2005).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> <i>Gast v. Sung Ki Kwak</i>, 396 F. Supp. 2d 1150, 1156 (Haw. 2005); <i>Dunlea v. Dappen</i>, 924 P.2d 196, 201-02 (Haw. 1996).</p>
Idaho	<p><b>18 + 5 years</b> Idaho Code § 6-1704 (1) (2010); Idaho Code § 5-219 (4) (2010)</p>	<p><b>yes</b> Idaho Code § 6-1704 (1), (3) (2010); Idaho Code § 5-219 (4) (2010).</p>	<p><b>yes + 5yrs from discovery</b> Idaho Code § 6-1704(1)(2010).</p>
Illinois	<p><b>18 + 10 years</b> 735 Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. § 5/13-202.2(b) (2010); <i>Doe v. Hinsdale Twp. High Sch.</i> Dist. 86, 388 Ill. App. 3d 995 (Ill. Ct. App. 2d Dist. 2009).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> 735 Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. § 5/13-202.2(d); <i>Hobert v. Covenant Children's Home</i>, 309 Ill. App. 3d 640 (Ill. Ct. App. 3d Dist. 2000); 735 Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. § 5/13-202.2(d-1); <i>Clay v. Kuhl</i>, 189 Ill. 2d 603, 614 (Ill. 2000).</p>	<p><b>yes + 5 yrs from discovery</b> unless victim turned 30 prior to 01-01-94 1993 ILL. ALS 127; 1993 Ill. Laws 127; 1993 ILL. P.A. 127; 1993 ILL. HB 1335; <i>M.E.H. v. L.H.</i> 283 Ill.App.3d 241, 669 N.E.2d 1228 (Ill. Ct. App.2d Dist. 1996)</p>
Indiana	<p><b>18 + 2 years</b> Ind. Code § 34-11-2-4 (1) (2010); Ind. Code § 1-1-4-5(1), Ind. Code § 1-1-4-5(8).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> Ind. Code § 1-1-4-5(1), Ind. Code § 1-1-4-5(8); Ind. Code § 34-11-6-1 (2010); <i>LaCava v. LaCava</i>, 907 N.E.2d 154, 160 (Ind. App. 2009).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> <i>Cole v. Shults-Lewis Child &amp; Family Servs.</i>, 677 N.E.2d 1069, 1072 (Ind. Ct. App. 1997), aff'd, <i>Doe v. Shults-Lewis</i>, 718 N.E.2d 738 (Ind. 1999).</p>

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Iowa	<b>19 + 5 years</b> for sexual abuse by a counselor, therapist or school employee Iowa Code §§ 614.1, 8 (12) (2010) <b>19 + 2 years</b> for other offenses Iowa Code §§ 614.1(2) (2010)	<b>yes</b> Iowa Code §§ 614.8(2)(2010) (minors); <i>Rodenburg v. Lathrop</i> , No. 00-1868, 2001 WL 1580498, at *5 (Iowa Ct. App. Dec. 21, 2001).	<b>yes - plus 4 years (very limited)</b> Iowa Code §§ 614.8A; <i>Woodroffe v. Hasenclever</i> , 540 N.W.2d 45 (Iowa 1995).
Kansas	<b>18 + 3 years from accrual</b> Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60-523(a) (2009); Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60-523(b)(2)(A)  <b>18 + 2 years for negligence claims</b> Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60-513(a)(4)(2009); <i>Miller v. Dillard's Inc.</i> , 47 F. Supp. 2d 1294 (D. Kan. 1999)(negligent supervision).	<b>yes</b> Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60-523(a) (2009); Kan. Stat. Ann. 60-515(a); Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60-513(a)(3) <i>Doe v. St. Benedict's Abbey</i> , No. 98,675, 2008 WL 3368248, at *8 (Kan. Ct. App. Aug. 8, 2008)	<b>yes.</b> Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60-523(a)  <b>yes for negligence claims, but subject to 10 yr. S.O.R.</b> Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60-513(b)(2009)(the causes of action listed in subsection §60-513(a).
Kentucky	<b>18 + 5 years</b> Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 413.249(2)(a) (2010) Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 413.249 (1) (a) <u>Ky.</u>  <b>18 + 1yr for negligence</b> Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 413.140(1); <i>Roman Catholic Diocese v. Sectar</i> , 966 S.W.2d 286 (Ky. Ct. App. 1998)	<b>yes</b> Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 413.249(2)(c)(2010); <i>Azerot v. Roman Catholic Bishop of Louisville</i> , No. 2004-CA-000666-MR, 2005 WL 2899483 at *1 (Ky. Ct. App. Nov. 4, 2005).	<b>yes (+5 from discovery)</b> Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 413.249(2)(b) (2010); Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 413.140(1); <i>Roman Catholic Diocese v. Sectar</i> , 966 S.W.2d 286, 290 (Ky. Ct. App. 1998)
Louisiana	<b>21 + 10 Years (can also be applied to negligence-based claims)</b> La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 9:2800.9 (2010); La. Child. Code Art. 6039(1)(a)(2010).	<b>yes</b> La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 9:2800.9 (2010); La. C.C. Art. 3496.1 (2010); <i>Dugas v. Durr</i> , 707 So. 2d 1368 (La.App. 3 Cir. Mar. 6 1998), writ denied by, 719 So. 2d 464 (La. May 15, 1998); <i>In re Medical Review of Proceeding of Sitzman</i> , 904 So.2d 754, 760 (La. Ct. App. 2005).	<b>Yes</b> <i>Wimberly v. Gatch</i> , 635 So.2d 206, 211 (La. 1994); La. Rev Stat. Ann. § 9:2800.9.B.
Maine	<b>none (all sex abuse related claims)</b> Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 14, § 752-C (1) (2009).	<b>N/A</b> Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 14, § 853 (2009) (minority or mental illness).	<b>yes</b> <i>McAfee v. Cole</i> , 637 A.2d 463 (Me. 1994) (Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 14, § 752-C is not applied retroactively).
Maryland	<b>18 + 7 years – all child sex abuse</b> Md. Code Ann., Cts. & Jud. Proc. §5-117 (2010); Md. Fam. Law Code Ann. § 5-701 (b)(1) (2010)  <b>18 + 3 years for offenses not characterized as child sex</b>	<b>yes</b> Md. Code Ann., Cts. & Jud. Proc. §5-117 (2010); Md. Code Ann., Cts. & Jud. Proc. § 5-201 (2010); Md. Code Ann., Cts. & Jud. Proc. §5-203 2010); <i>Doe v. Archdiocese of Washington</i> , 114 Md. App. 169, 187, 689 A.2d 634, 643 (Md. Ct. Spec. App. 1997).	<b>yes</b> <i>Doe v. Archdiocese of Washington</i> , 689 A.2d 634, 638-39 (Md. Ct. Spec. App. 1997). (

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	<b>abuse</b>		
Massachusetts	<b>18 + 3 years</b> Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 260, § 4c (2010). <i>Martin v. Boston Minuteman Council, Inc.</i> , 20 Mass. L. Rep. 569 (Mass. Super. Ct. 2006).	<b>yes</b> Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 260, § 4c (2010); Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 260, § 7 (2010); <i>John Doe No. 4 v.</i> <i>Levine</i> , 77 Mass. App. Ct. 117, 120, 928 N.E.2d 951, 953 (Mass. App. Ct. 2010).	<b>yes +3 yrs</b> Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 260, § 4c (2010); <i>Pettengill v.</i> <i>Curtis</i> , D.Mass.2008, 584 F.Supp.2d 348 (D.Mass 2008); <i>John Doe No. 4 v. Levine</i> , 77 Mass. App. Ct. 117, 120, 928 N.E.2d 951, 953 (Mass. App. Ct. 2010); <i>Martin v.</i> <i>Boston Minuteman Council, Inc.</i> , 20 Mass. L. Rep. 569 (Mass. Super. Ct. 2006)
Michigan	<b>19 + 2 years</b> <b>(assault/battery)</b> Mich. Comp. Laws § 600.5805(2) (2010) (2 years for an action charging assault, battery, or false imprisonment.)  <b>3 years (negligence, IED)</b> Mich. Comp. Laws § 600.5805(10) (3 years after the time of...injury for all other actions...for injury to a person or property)	<b>yes</b> Mich. Comp. Laws § 600.5851(1); Mich. Comp. Laws § 600.5855.	<b>no</b> Mich. Comp. Laws §600.5827 (2010)(accrual at injury, not harm); <i>Leammerman v. Fealk</i> , 534 N.W.2d 695, 703 (Mich. 1995).
Minnesota	<b>18 + 6 years (all claims for</b> <b>damages “due to sexual</b> <b>abuse” )</b> Minn. Stat. § 541.073, Subd. 2 (a); Minn. Stat. § 541.073, Subd. 1. Minn. Stat. § 541.073, Subd. 3; <i>D.M.S. v.</i> <i>Barber</i> , 645 N.W.2d 383, 391 (Minn. 2002).	<b>yes</b> Minn. Stat. § 541.15(a)(1); <i>D.M.S. v. Barber</i> , 645 N.W.2d 383, 386-87(Minn. 2002); <i>Quenroe v. Order of</i> <i>St. Benedict of the Roman Catholic Church</i> , 2004 Minn. App. LEXIS 704 (Minn. Ct. App. June 15 2004).	<b>yes + 6 from discovery</b> Minn. Stat. § 541.073, Subd. 2 (a); <i>D.M.S. v. Barber</i> , 645 N.W.2d 383, 389-390 (Minn. 2002)
Mississippi	<b>21 + 3 Years for sex abuse</b> <b>related, negligence based &amp;</b> <b>IED claims.</b> Miss. Code Ann. § 15-1-59 (2010); Miss. Code Ann. § 15-1-49(1) (2010); <i>Doe v.</i> <i>Roman Catholic Diocese of Jackson</i> , 947 So.2d 983 (Miss. Ct. App. 2006).  <b>21 + 1 year for</b> <b>assault/battery</b> Miss. Code Ann. § 15-1-35 (2010)	<b>yes</b> Miss. Code Ann. § 15-1-59 (2010); <i>Lawler v.</i> <i>Government Employees Ins. Co.</i> , 569 So. 2d 1151 (Miss. 1990); <i>Cole v. State</i> , 608 So.2d 1313, 1316 (Miss. 1992); Miss. Code Ann. § 15-1-67 (2010).	<b>yes - limited</b> Miss. Code Ann. § 15-1-49(2) (2010); <i>Doe v. Roman</i> <i>Catholic Diocese of Jackson</i> , 947 So.2d 983, 986 (Miss. Ct. App. 2006).
Missouri	<b>10 years from majority, or 3</b> <b>yrs from discovery for</b> <b>claims against abuser</b> Mo Rev. Stat. § 537.046(2) (2010); Mo Rev.	<b>yes</b> Mo Rev. Stat. § 537.046(2); Mo. Rev. Stat. § 516.170 (2010) <i>Ridder v. Hibsich</i> , 94 S.W.3d 470, 2003 Mo. App. LEXIS 60 (Mo. Ct. App. 2003); Mo. Rev Stat. 516.280 (2010); <i>State ex rel. Sperandio v. Clymer</i> , 563 S.W.2d	<b>yes -+ 3 Years From discovery</b> Mo Rev. Stat. § 537.046(2) (2010); <i>Straub v. Tull</i> 128 S.W.3d 157, 162-63 (Mo. App. S.D. 2004)

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	Stat. § 537.046(1).  <b>21 + 10 yrs for incest</b> Mo. Rev. Stat. 516.371 (2010)  <b>21 + 5 years for negligence, &amp; IED</b> Mo. Rev Stat. §516.120(4)(2010)	88, 91 (Mo. Ct. App. 1978); <i>Smile v. Lawson</i> , 435 S.W.2d 325, 327-28 (Mo. 1968).	
Montana	<b>18 + 3 years</b> Mont. Code Ann. § 27-2-216(1)(a)(2010); <i>Werre v. David</i> , 913 P.2d 625, 632 (Mont. 1996).	<b>yes</b> Mont. Code Ann. § 27-2-401(1)(2010); Mont. Code Ann. § 27-2-216(4); <i>Snyder v. Love</i> , 153 P.3d 571, 573 (Mont. 2006).	<b>yes</b> Mont. Code Ann. § 27-2-216(1)(b) (2010); <i>Cosgriffe v. Cosgriffe</i> , 262 Mont. 175 (Mont. 1993); <i>Werre v. David</i> , 913 P.2d 625, 630 (Mont. 1996).
Nebraska	<b>21 + 4 years</b> Neb. Rev. Stat. § 25-207(3) (2010); <i>Anonymous v. St. John Lutheran Church</i> , 703 N.W.2d 918 (Neb. Ct. App. 2005).	<b>yes</b> Neb. Rev. Stat. § 25-213 (2010); <i>Coleman v. Chadron State College</i> , 466 N.W.2d 526, 531 (1991); <i>Andres v. McNeil Co.</i> , 707 N.W.2d 777, 787 (Neb. 2005); <i>Muller v. Thaut</i> , 430 N.W.2d 884, 892-93 (Neb. 1988).	<b>yes, but only as to injury, not as to harm</b> <i>Teater v. State of Nebraska</i> , 559 N.W.2d 758, 763 (Neb. 1997); <i>Van Sickle v. Mize</i> , 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 32480 (D. Neb. Sept. 9, 2005); <i>Anonymous v. St. John Lutheran Church</i> , 703 N.W.2d 918, 926-27 (Neb. Ct. App. 2005).
Nevada	<b>18 + 10 years</b> Nev. Rev. Stat. §11.215(1)(2009).	<b>yes</b> Nev. Rev. Stat. §11.215(1)(a) (2009); <i>Golden Nugget v. Ham</i> , 646 P.2d 1221, 1223-24 (Nev. 1982).	<b>yes</b> Nev. Rev. Stat. §11.215(1)(b) (2009).
New Hampshire	<b>18 + 12 years</b> N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 508:4-g(I)	<b>yes</b> N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 508:4-g(I); <i>Furbush v. McKittrick</i> , 821 A.2d 1126, 1130 (N.H. 2003); <i>Sinclair v. Brill</i> , 857 F. Supp. 132, 1994 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 9512 (D.N.H. 1994).	<b>yes - plus 3 years</b> N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 508:4-g <i>Michaud v. McAnaney</i> , 2007 DNH 118 (D.N.H. 2007) (not for publication); <i>Conrad v. Hazen</i> , 665 A.2d 372, 374-75 (N.H. 1995).
New Jersey	<b>18 + 2 years</b> N.J. Stat. Ann. §§ 2A:61B-1 (2010)[Child Sexual Abuse Act (CSAA)]; <i>Hardwicke v. American Boychoir School</i> , 902 A.2d 900, 911-13, 920 (N.J. 2006).	<b>yes</b> N.J. Stat. Ann. §§ 2A:61B-1(a) (2010); N.J. Stat. Ann. § 9:17B-3 (2010); N.J. Stat. Ann. § 2A:61B-1(c)(2010).	<b>yes +2 from discovery</b> against both offenders, and institutions/persons deemed in “loco parentis” N.J. Stat. Ann. § 2A:61B-1(b); <i>Hardwicke v. American Boychoir School</i> , 902 A.2d 900, 911-13, 920 (N.J. 2006); <i>J.L. v. J.F.</i> , 317 N.J. Super. 418, 722 A.2d 558 (App.Div. 1999)
New Mexico	<b>Until Victim Turns 24 or 3 yrs from discovery, whichever is later</b> N.M. Stat. Ann. § 37-1-30(A)(1) (2010) (action for damages based on personal injury caused by childhood sexual abuse); N.M. Stat. Ann. § 37-1-30	<b>yes</b> N.M. Stat. Ann. § 37-1-10; <i>Continental Potash v. Freeport-McMoran, Inc.</i> , 858 P.2d 66, 74 (N.M. 1993).	<b>yes - plus 3 years</b> N.M. Stat. Ann. § 37-1-30(A)(2) (2010); <i>Kevin J. v. Sager</i> , 128 N.M. 794, 999 P.2d 1026, (N.M. Ct. App. 1999)

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New York	<p><b>18 + 5 Years for first-degree offenses against perp only</b> N.Y. C.P.L.R. LAW § 213-c (2010)</p> <p><b>18 + 3 Years for negligence torts, 3rd party negligence</b> N.Y. C.P.L.R. LAW §214(5) (2010); <i>Cordero v. Epstein</i>, 22 Misc. 3d 161, 168, 869 N.Y.S.2d 725, 730 2008 NY Slip Op 28391, *5 (N.Y. Sup Ct. 2008)</p> <p><b>18 + 1 year for torts of [non 1st degree] assault, battery/respndeat superior</b> N.Y. C.P.L.R. LAW §215(3) (2010); <i>Cordero v. Epstein</i>, 22 Misc. 3d 161, 167-68, 869 N.Y.S.2d 725, 729-30, 2008 NY Slip Op 28391, *4--*5 (N.Y. Sup Ct. 2008); <i>Brown v Albion</i>, 128 Misc 2d 586, 490 NYS2d 958 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. 1985).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> N.Y. C.P.L.R. LAW § 208 (2010); <i>Davis v St. Joseph's Children's Services</i>, 64 NY2d 794, 486 NYS2d 914, 476 NE2d 313 (N.Y. 1985); NY CPLR Law § 203 (g)(2010).</p>	<p><b>Yes—but “insanity” very limited</b> NY CPLR Law § 203 (g) (2010); <i>Barnes v. County of Onondaga</i>, 65 N.Y.2d 664, 481 N.E.2d 245 (N.Y. 1985).</p>
North Carolina	<p><b>18 + 3 years</b> N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 1-52(5) (2010); N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 1-52(19)(2010); <i>Lynn v. Burnette</i>, 138 N.C. App. 435, 531 S.E.2d 275 (2000); <i>Doe v. Doe</i>, 973 F.2d 237, 240 (4th Cir. 1992).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 1-17(a) (2010); <i>Friedland v. Gales</i>, 131 N.C. App. 802, 805 (N.C. 1998).</p>	<p><b>yes, but limited to a 10-year S.O.R.</b> (from last act by defendant which gave rise to cause of action)</p> <p>N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 1-52(16) (2010); <i>Leonard v. England</i>, 115 N.C. App. 103, 106-07, 445 S.E.2d 50, 52 (1994); <i>Doe v. Doe</i>, 973 F.2d 237, 239 (4th Cir. 1992); <i>Soderlund v. Kuch</i>, 143 N.C. App. 361, 371-72, 546 S.E.2d 632, 639 (N.C. Ct. App. 2001)</p>
North Dakota	<p><b>18 + 1 year</b> N.D. Cent. Code § 28-01-25 (2010); N.D. Cent. Code § 28-01-18 (1) (2010)(assault, battery, or false imprisonment).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> N.D. Cent. Code § 28-01-25 (2010) <i>Dunford v. Tryhus</i>, 776 N.W.2d 539 (N.D. 2009); N.D. Cent. Code §28-01-24 (2010).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> <i>Peterson v. Huso</i>, 552 N.W.2d 83, 84 (N.D. 1996) <i>Dunford v. Tryhus</i>, 776 N.W.2d 539, 542-43 (N.D. 2009).</p>
Ohio	<p><b>18 (minority) pr 21 (handicap) + 12 Years</b> Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 2305.11(C) (2010) Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 2305.111(A)(1); Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 2305.111 (A)(1)(b)</p>	<p><b>yes</b> Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 2305.111(A); Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 2305.111(C) (2010); Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 2305.111(C) (2010).</p>	<p><b>No</b> Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 2305.111(C) (2010) <i>Pratte v. Stewart</i>, 125 Ohio St. 3d 473, 474-75, 929 N.E.2d 415, 417-18 (Ohio 2010).</p>
Oklahoma	<p><b>18 or incarceration + 5 years against perp. if</b></p>	<p><b>yes</b> Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, § 95(6)(b) (2010) <i>Fleck v. State ex rel. Oklahoma Dep't of Corrections</i>,</p>	<p><b>Yes +2 yrs, with expert testimony</b> Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, § 95(6)(b) (2010).</p>

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	<b>-serving time for crime upon which civil action is based</b> Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, §§ 95(6)(a)--(7)(b) (2010); Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, § 95(6)(a) (2010); Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, § 95(7)(a)(2010); Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, § 95(7)(b)(2010)	888 P.2d 532, 535 (Okla. Civ. App. 1994); <i>Moses v. Miller</i> , 1950 Okla. LEXIS 422, 1950 OK 14, 202 Okla. 605, 216 P.2d 979 (Jan. 24, 1950) (	
Oregon	<b>until victim turns 40, all claims</b> Or. Rev. Stat. § 12.117(1) (2010); <i>Fearing v. Bucher</i> , 328 Ore. 367, 977 P.2d 1163 (Or. 1999).	<b>fraudulent concealment</b> <i>Chaney v. Fields Chevrolet Co.</i> , 503 P.2d 1239, 1241-42 (Or. 1972).	<b>yes - plus 5 years</b> Or. Rev. Stat. § 12.117(1) (2010).
Pennsylvania	<b>18 + 12 years against perp</b> 42 Pa. Cons. Stat. Ann. § 5533(b)(2)(i) (2010)  <b>18 + 2 years for negligence and respondeat superior</b> 42 Pa. Cons. Stat. Ann. § 5524	<b>yes</b> 42 Pa. Cons. Stat. Ann. § 5533(b)(2) (2010); <i>Aquillno v. Phila Catholic Archdiocese</i> , 884 A.2d 1269, 1277 (Pa. Super. Ct. 2005).	<b>no</b> 42 Pa. Cons. Stat. Ann. § 5533(b)(2)(i) (2010); <i>Dalrymple v. Brown</i> , 701 A.2d 164, 167 (Pa. 1997)
Rhode Island	<b>7 years</b> R.I. Gen. Laws § 9-1-51(a) (2010)  <b>3 years for non-offender</b> R.I. Gen. Laws § 9-1-51(b)	<b>fraudulent concealment only</b> R.I. Gen. Laws § 9-1-20 (2010)	<b>yes but not against non-offenders</b> R.I. Gen. Laws § 9-1-51(a) (2010).
South Carolina	<b>21 + 6 years</b> S.C. Code Ann. §§ 15-3-555(A)	<b>yes</b> S.C. Code Ann. §§ 15-3-555(A); <i>Strong v. Univ. of S.C. Sch. of Med.</i> , 447 S.E.2d 850, 852 (S.C. 1994).	<b>yes - plus 3 year</b> S.C. Code Ann. §§ 15-3-555.
South Dakota	<b>18 + 3 years</b> S.D. Codified Laws § 26-10-25 (2010); <i>Pecoraro v. The Diocese of Rapid City</i> , 435 F.3d 870 (8 <sup>th</sup> Cir. 2006).	<b>yes</b> S.D. Codified Laws § 15-2-22 (2010); <i>One Star v. Sisters of St. Francis</i> , 752 N.W.2d 668, 681 (S.D. 2008).	<b>yes</b> S.D. Codified Laws § 26-10-25 (2010); H.R. 1104, 85 <sup>th</sup> Sess. (S.D. 2010) (enacted); <i>One Star v. Sisters of St. Francis</i> , 752 N.W.2d 668, 681 (S.D. 2008)
Tennessee	<b>18 + 1 Year</b> Tenn. Code. Ann. § 28-3-104 (2010)	<b>yes</b> Tenn. Code. Ann. § 28-1-106 (2010); <i>C.S. v. The Diocese of Nashville</i> , 2008 Tenn. App. LEXIS 582 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2008).	<b>yes</b> <i>Doe v. Catholic Bishop for the Diocese of Memphis</i> , 306 S.W.3d 712, 718 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2008).

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Texas	<b>18 + 5 Years</b> Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code Ann. § 16.0045.	<b>yes</b> Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code Ann. § 16.001(a)(1) (2010); Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code Ann. § 16.001 (2010); Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code Ann. § 16.063; <i>S.V. v. R.V.</i> , 933 S.W.2d 1, 6 (Tex. 1996)	<b>yes</b> <i>S.V. v. R.V.</i> , 933 S.W.2d 1, 4 (Tex. 1996).
Utah	<b>18 + 4 years</b> Utah Code Ann. § 78B-2-308(2)(a)-(5)(2010)	<b>yes</b> Utah Code Ann. § 78B-2-308(2)(a) (2010); <i>Colosimo v. Roman Catholic Bishop</i> , 156 P.3d 806, 813 (Utah 2007); <i>Colosimo v. Roman Catholic Bishop</i> , 156 P.3d 806, 810-11 (Utah 2007).	<b>yes</b> Utah Code Ann. § 78B-2-308(2)(b) (2010); <i>Colosimo v. Roman Catholic Bishop</i> , 156 P.3d 806, 810-11 (Utah 2007)
Vermont	<b>18 + 6 years</b> Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, § 522(a) (2010).	<b>yes</b> Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, §§ 551; Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, §§, 560 (2010).	<b>yes</b> Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 12, § 522(a) (2010); <i>Barquin v. Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington, Vermont, Inc.</i> , 839 F.Supp. 275 (D.Vt. 1993).
Virginia	<b>18 + 2 years</b> Va. Code Ann. § 8.01-243(A) (2010)	<b>yes</b> Va. Code Ann. § 8.01-229; <i>Hawks v. Dehart</i> , 146 S.E.2d 187, 190 (Va. 1966); <i>Barry v. Donnelly</i> , 781 F.2d 1040 (4 <sup>th</sup> Cir. 1986).	<b>yes</b> Va. Code Ann. § 8.01-249; <i>Kopalchick v. Catholic Diocese of Richmond</i> , 645 S.E.2d 439, 442 (Va. 2007).
Washington	<b>18 + 3 years</b> Wash. Rev. Code Ann. § 4.16.340(1) (2010) <i>Cox v. Oasis Physical Therapy, PLLC</i> , P.3d 119 (Wash Ct. App. 2009)	<b>yes</b> Wash. Rev. Code Ann. § 4.16.340(1) (2010); Wash. Rev. Code Ann. § 4.16.180 (2010).	<b>yes</b> Wash. Rev. Code Ann. § 4.16.340(1)(b)-(2) (2010).
West Virginia	<b>18 + 2 Years</b> W. Va. Code § 55-2-12 (2010).	<b>yes</b> W. Va. Code § 55-2-15 (2010); W. Va. Code § 55-2-127(2010); <i>Tesack v. Waterford Park, Inc.</i> , 689 F.Supp. 604 (N.D. W. Va.1988).; W. Va. Code § 2-2-10(m) (1998).	<b>yes</b> <i>Dunn v. Rockwell</i> , 689 S.E.2d 255, 264 (W. Va. 2009)
Wisconsin	<b>until victim turns 35 for claims against perp</b> Wis. Stat. Ann. § 893.587 (2010) (“An action to recover damages for injury caused by an act that would constitute a violation of s. 948.02, 948.025, 948.06, 948.085, or 948.095 or would create a cause of action under s. 895.442 shall be commenced before the injured party reaches the age of 35 years or be barred.”)  <b>18 + 3 years against employer</b> <i>John Doe 1 v. Archdiocese of Milwaukee</i> , 734 N.W.2d 827, 836 (Wis. 2007)	<b>yes</b> Wis. Stat. Ann. § 893.16(1); <i>John Doe 1 v. Archdiocese of Milwaukee</i> , 734 N.W.2d 827, 841-42 (Wis. 2007).	<b>yes</b> Wis. Stat. Ann. § 893.93(1)(B) (2010); <i>John Doe 1 v. Archdiocese of Milwaukee</i> , 734 N.W.2d 827, 846 (Wis. 2007).

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Wyoming	<p><b>18 + 8 Years</b> Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 1-3-105(b)(i)-(ii) (2010)</p> <p><b>18 + 4 years for HED and negligence claims, not based on assault as defined in §6-2-301</b> <i>Gustafson v. Bridger Coal Co.</i>, 834 F. Supp. 352, 1993 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 13281 (D. Wyo. 1993); <i>Woodard v. Cook Ford Sales, Inc.</i>, 927 P.2d 1168, 1996 Wyo. LEXIS 168 (Wyo. 1996).</p>	<p><b>yes</b> Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 1-3-114 (2010); Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 1-3-105(b); <i>Olson v. A.H. Robins Co., Inc.</i>, 696 P.2d 1294 (Wyo. 1985).</p>	<p><b>yes - plus 3 years</b> <i>McCreary v. Weast</i>, 971 P.2d 974 (Wyo. 1999); Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 1-3-105(b); <i>McCreary v. Weast</i>, 971 P.2d 974 (Wyo. 1999).</p>
Federal Soldiers  Service-Members Civil Relief Act (S.C.R.A.)	<p><b>Service-member's military service may not be used in computing time [for or against service-member] for statutes of limitations.</b> S.C.R.A. 50 U.S.C. app. §§ 501-96 (2010).</p>	<p><b>Yes.</b> 50 U.S.C. app. § 526 (a); <i>Conroy v. Aniskoff</i>, 507U.S. 511 (1993); <i>Hamner v. BMY Combat Sys.</i>, 79 F.3d 1156, (10th Cir. 1996).</p>	<p><b>Applies in all 50 states and the District of Columbia and includes actions for redemption of real property.</b></p>

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