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**Expert:** [Ulysses101](#) replied 624 days and 5 hours ago.  
What's the question, please?

Ulysses

**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

My question is, would it be in my best interest to sign a peace bond. I am the defendant in a case. My

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former boyfriend is the applicant of the peace bond.



**Expert:** [Ulysses101](#) replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

Has the crown offered to drop a criminal charge in exchange for you signing a peace bond? What's the charge? Do you have a lawyer?

Ulysses

**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

No, there has been no criminal charges laid against me. And technically, my boyfriend does not have a solid case against me. His allegations are made from his own personal and emotional point of view. He has also lied to the police several times although the police are not yet aware of it.



**Expert:** [Ulysses101](#) replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

So who has put the issue of a peace bond to you?

**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

My boyfriend has applied to the police for a peace bond because he alleges that I "stalk" him.

**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

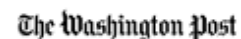
I do not have a lawyer yet.



**Expert:** [Ulysses101](#) replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

Wait to see if the court contacts you. You'll likely get a summons to court, and you should appear on that date and time. See duty counsel. I don't recommend that you sign it unless you have been charged with a criminal offense and it appears likely that you'll be convicted, and the crown has offered to withdraw the charge in exchange for you signing the peace bond.

Good luck  
Ulysses



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**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

I have already been summoned to court. My court date is tomorrow. I will definitely appear in court tomorrow. I spoke with the crown attorney on the phone today and I am certain no criminal charges have been laid against me.

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**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

I like your recommendation - that I shouldn't sign the peace bond. My only concern is with the [hearing process](#) and how time and money consuming it might be. But thank you for your recommendations. Signing a peace bond does feel like an admission of guilt or wrong doing.



**Expert: Ulysses101** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

A peace bond will still appear on the long abstract criminal record. If you aren't going to be charged, then you have nothing to gain by agreeing to the peace bond.

Attending is a waste of time, but you have been issued a summons and must appear.

A peace bond is an admission of wrong doing. It's a promise that you won't do it again.

Ulysses

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**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

omg? it will appear on the long abstract criminal record? no way! wow. I was totally unaware of this. Thank you very much. I will definitely take this into consideration.

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**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

I was told by the special constable at the police station that if I sign a peace bond, the record will

expire in one year.

### Accepted Answer



**Expert:** [Ulysses101](#) replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

The peace bond itself is generally for a one year period. It's like unofficial probation, and will remain on your long form criminal record, but not as a conviction.

Ulysses

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**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

Wow..alright. I was definitely NOT told of this or made aware of this either when I was at the police station nor when I spoke with the crown attorney. This is incredibly unfair. Anyhow, thank you.



**Expert:** [Ulysses101](#) replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

You're very welcome. I hope you will Accept an answer of mine. This website has kids to feed, I'm told.

Ulysses

**Customer** replied 624 days and 4 hours ago.

I will tell you this - I visited my boyfriend at work only two times after our break up. The first time he came out of his cubicle to speak to me and our encounter was not unfriendly, although I was tired of the same disagreement with him and so I ended my visit early.

On my second visit to his workplace he started to show resentment towards me and called the police about my "unwanted visit". I did nothing but waited by the reception desk for him. Then my boyfriend started to allege to the police, quite seriously, that I am "stalking" him.

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This is why I feel incredibly reluctant to sign a peace bond because as far as I know a peace bond should only be signed if an accused is believed (with evidence) to have intention OR to have had harmed the accuser's personal property or personal body. None of which I have done, nor intend to.



**Expert:** [Ulysses101](#) replied 623 days ago.

If it has now become clear to you that he doesn't want any contact with you, then clearly as a reasonable person and good citizen you would abide by that. You don't need a court order or peace bond or conviction for that. Your best approach is now that you know that he doesn't want any contact, that you're fine with that.

I hope it went well.

Thanks for the accept, and the bonus too. I do appreciate it.

Ulysses

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**Customer** replied 623 days ago.

Thank you for the response.

Yes I went to court today and it went well.

The judge has annulled the "evidence" that my boyfriend presented in court because there is no clear start or end date in his application. The case was dismissed in less than a minute.

The duty counsel also agreed with me in that there has to be clear evidence of me doing my boyfriend

some sort of harm in order for a peace bond to be approved.

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**Customer** replied 623 days ago.

I definitely think with no contact with him, his friends, or anyone associated with him is the best way to go.

Thanks for all your help !!



**Expert: [Ulysses101](#)** replied 623 days ago.

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