

# Expunge or Seal Criminal Records - Step 1

## RESEARCH GUIDE

This guide provides a list of Law Library resources, and internet links, to assist those who wish to learn about the law regarding obtaining a Certificate of Eligibility to expunge or seal a criminal history record through the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE).

### Library Resources

The following resources are available at the Daytona Beach and DeLand Law Libraries;

- American Jurisprudence, 2<sup>nd</sup>, (21A Am. Jur. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Criminal Law §1221),
- American Law Reports, 6<sup>th</sup> Ed., (69 ALR 6<sup>th</sup>, 1 and 70 ALR 6<sup>th</sup>, 1),
- Florida Pleading and Practice Forms (§§97:14, 97:25, and 97:38),
- Florida Statutes Chapters 943.0585 & 943.059

### Statutes

- [Florida Statutes regarding Expunge or Seal a criminal history record](#)

### Online Resources

- [Florida Administrative Code: Chapter 11C-7](#)
- [Florida Department of Law Enforcement- Seal and Expunge Process](#)
- [Instructions for Applying for a Certificate of Eligibility](#)
- [FDLE Reasons for Denial of Certificate](#)
- See the Research Guide for Step 2- Expunge or Seal Petition

**NOTICE:** This research guide is based on information gathered from the resources cited above. For more information on this or other legal topics visit the nearest branch of the Volusia County Law Library.

**IF YOU ARE ACTING AS YOUR OWN ATTORNEY YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERYTHING THAT INVOLVES YOUR CASE. Remember:** Court and Clerk Filing & Service fees vary. Check with the Clerk of the Court for exact fees and court costs.