Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library Research Guide



EXPUNGE OR SEAL CRIMINAL RECORD STEP 1: CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

OVERVIEW

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

Ask your librarian for additional resources.

ONLINE RESOURCES

Click on the links below for further online information:

- Florida Statute 943.0585 Expunge a Criminal History Record
- Florida Statute 943.059 Seal a Criminal History Record
- Florida Department of Law Enforcement Expunge and Seal Process
- <u>FDLE Application for a Certificate of Eligibility</u> Download the application or email the FDLE Seal and Expunge section and request an application be sent to you
- FDLE Certificate of Eligibility Application Checklist
- FDLE Reasons for Denial of Certificate of Eligibility

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 James J. Lunsford Law Library.

IF YOU ARE ACTING AS YOUR OWN ATTORNEY, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERYTHING THAT INVOLVES YOUR CASE. Remember: Check with the Clerk of the Court for filing fees/court costs.