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RESEARCH

Expungement refers to a process for cleaning up your criminal record. Review the How To Guide and the CA Self-Help website to understand expungement. *Note:* For Prop 64, 47 and other forms of relief, please contact your Public Defender's Office.



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GATHER INFORMATION

Gather pertinent information about your criminal record. Go online or contact the court clerk for the county where you were convicted to obtain a copy of your criminal record. For Riverside criminal cases, use the Riverside Case Access tab. For all other counties, click here.



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ELIGIBILITY

Not all convictions can be dismissed. Determine your eligibility using the resources on the left and the information you obtained. If you have questions about eligibility, please consult an attorney or legal services. For Riverside, contact Riverside Legal Aid or Riverside Public Defender's Relief Program.

Important Disclaimer

This page is intended for informational purposes only and is a tool to assist you with expunging your criminal record. We do not guarantee any results for any case and **the information on this page is not intended nor should it be construed as legal advice.** If you need legal advice, please consult an attorney or [Legal Aid](#).



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COMPLETE THE FORMS

Access the forms from the Expungement Forms tab. Complete the required forms for each conviction. Step-by-step instructions for completing the CR-180 and CR-181 are provided from the How To Video tab.



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SERVE AND FILE

(1) Make 2 stapled copies and paperclip the original; (2) Have a friend over 18 years old serve a copy on the D.A. and complete POS-030; (3) File the originals and 1 copy plus POS-030 with the court clerk's office where you were convicted. *Note:* No fee is due at filing, but may be imposed if granted.



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ATTEND THE HEARING

BE SURE TO ATTEND the hearing if one is scheduled. Be prompt, dress appropriately and bring a copy of any supporting letters, diplomas and/or transcripts for training you've received or community groups you regularly attend.