

## 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
- [FDLE Application for a Certificate of Eligibility](#) – 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.