



PUBLIC NOTICE

JUVENILE LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORD AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT

The expungement of juvenile law enforcement records in Illinois is governed by Part 9 of Article V of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 (705 ILCS405/5-915). Only records maintained by the Lindenhurst Police Department are covered by this notice.

When you are investigated, arrested, or charged with an offense, a law enforcement record is created, even if you are released without charges. 705 ILCS 405/5-915(0.1) requires law enforcement agencies to expunge juvenile law enforcement records relating to events occurring before an individual's 18th birthday if:

- (1) One year or more has elapsed since the date of the arrest or law enforcement interaction documented in the records;
- (2) No petition for delinquency or criminal charges were filed with the circuit court relating to the arrest or law enforcement interaction documented in the records and:
- (3) Six months have elapsed since the date of the arrest with an additional subsequent arrest or filing of a petition for delinquency or criminal chargers whether related or not to the arrest or law enforcement interaction documented in the records.

Pursuant to 705 ILCS 405/5-915(0.15), prior to January 1, 2022 the Lindenhurst Police Department will expunge all qualifying law enforcement records maintained by our agency which were created after January 1, 2000, but before January 1, 2018. Records prior to January 1, 2000 shall not be subject to automatic expungement. Please be advised this does not apply to violations of traffic, boating, fish and game laws, county or municipal ordinances, or records that relate to an officer that if committed by an adult would be an offense classified as Class 2 felony or higher, and offender under Article 11 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or Criminal Code of 2012, or an offense under Sections 12-13, 12-14, 12-14.1, 12-15 or 12-16 of the Criminal Code of 1961. Offenses disqualified for automatic expungement are under Section 705 ILCS 405/5-195(0.3)(a).

This document serves as notice of expungement occurring between January 1, 2000 and December 31, 2015. Notice of expungement for events occurring between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2021 have been mailed to the juvenile's last known address.

Once a record has been expunged, the event is treated as if it never occurred. If an inquiry regarding an expunged record is made, law enforcement and government offices and agencies must respond that no record or file exists regarding the expunged matter.

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