

# Our Services



**Expungement** is available if your case was nollied (not prosecuted), dismissed, or you were acquitted at trial. An expunged file is “impounded”, which means it is virtually destroyed and no longer exists. Police departments will destroy their record of your arrest. It may also be available for some cases with a successful supervision or first-time drug probation.



**Sealing** is available if your case led to a conviction, including a fine, probation, conditional discharge, or jail/prison sentence. A sealed file exists but is not available to the public. Law enforcement can access it. Most employers will not find sealed records. Landlords never see sealed records.



**Cannabis Expungement/Sealing:** Your cannabis-related criminal records may be eligible for expungement and sealing, but the process is different depending on the exact offense. For example, an arrest for a minor cannabis offense may qualify for an automatic expungement while conviction of certain possession and dealing charges requires filing a motion.



**Driver's License Reinstatement:** Whether your driver's license is suspended or revoked, you can get it back paying fines and completing educational courses or treatment programs. Reinstating a revoked license is more complicated, requires a mandatory waiting period based on the offense, involves a hearing, and can take up to five years



**Healthcare Waiver:** A criminal record may disqualify you from working in some unlicensed health care roles such as CNA, care giver, or janitor in a healthcare setting. A healthcare waiver removes this barrier. The Illinois Department of Public Health approves waivers when an applicant shows they are rehabilitated and past conduct will not impact public safety.



**Professional License Reinstatement:** Whether you are a barber, cosmetologist, real estate agent or some other professional licensed by the state, there are various steps to reinstating your license including completing forms, paying fees, and verifying continuing education or professional development.



**A Governor's Pardon** is available for a conviction that is either ineligible for sealing or where the court denied a petition to seal. A pardon vacates the conviction and makes it eligible for expungement. Applications for a pardon are lengthy, and the applicant must appear before the Illinois Prisoner Review Board, which makes a recommendation to the Governor.