



## Information About the Expedited Record Update Service & Notice of Right to Opt Out

After you have had your criminal record expunged or sealed by the court, private background check companies could still be reporting your criminal record for up to a year or more to potential employers, landlords, or anyone else who purchases a background check on you.

The Ohio legislature passed a law (O.R.C. 109.38) which authorized the Attorney General to select a vendor to instruct background check companies to promptly remove your sealed or expunged records. The \$45 fee for this service is separate from the filing fee and is payable to the clerk when you apply for a record sealing or expungement.

### Benefits of the Service:

- Quickly get your expunged or sealed record cleared from more than 600 private background check providers.
- Have your record promptly removed from background checks, instead of in a year or more.
- Greatly reduces the chance that an expunged or sealed record will appear on a background check and thereby results in you being denied a job, housing or other opportunity.

### Risks of Opting Out of the Service:

- Private sector background check companies that take a year or more to purchase updated data from the courts may not discover your criminal record has been sealed or expunged until they purchase their next update.
- When background check databases are not updated in a timely manner, it can result in denied employment, housing, and other opportunities.

### How the Process Works

If the court grants your petition and the \$45 fee is paid, the court will notify the Law Firm of Higbee & Associates (RecordGone.com Division). Higbee & Associates will then promptly instruct background check companies to remove your sealed or expunged record from all future background check reports. If your request to seal or expunge a record is denied, then the \$45 fee for this service is returned to you by the court.

### To Learn More or To Check On the Status of Your Expedited Record Update Service

Go to <http://www.RecordGone.com/erus>

**Notice of Right To Opt In/Out** You must choose to opt in/out of this service; Sign below to indicate your choice and provide this document to court clerk when you file your request to seal or expunge your record.

### I HAVE READ THE ABOVE INFORMATION AND CHOOSE:

I agree (**opt in**) to have my sealing sent to Higbee & Associates (\$45.00).

I do not agree (**opt out**) to have my sealing sent to Higbee & Associates.

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Signature

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### DISCLAIMER:

If you **OPT IN** to this program with Higbee & Associates, the New Albany Mayor's Court does not guarantee that every record of your case will be completely eradicated from all data repositories. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the effectiveness of this program, please contact Higbee & Associates at <http://www.RecordGone.com/erus>.