



“Just because you have a past, doesn’t mean you can’t have a future.”

-Heidi Kuhn, Clerk

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FAQ's

Q: How much is the expungement fee?

A: Clerk Kuhn waived the \$100 expungement fee. However, all restitution, fines, fees, and litigation taxes on your case must be paid prior to receiving an expungement on an eligible charge/conviction.

Q: If my case was dismissed, is it automatically expunged from my record?

A: No. You or your attorney must request to have your record expunged.

Q: Are all charges/convictions expungable?

A: No. You must meet the qualifications to be eligible for an expungement. The Tennessee Legislature makes laws that determine which criminal charges are expungable and which are not expungable.

Q: If I am a defendant, how do I find out which courtroom my Criminal Court case is in?

A: Call the Criminal Court Clerk's Office Customer Service at 901-222-3376 or 901-222-3200.

Q: How do I set up a payment plan for my court costs?

A: Call the Criminal Court Clerk's Office Escrow Department at 901-222-3258 or you can come to the Criminal Court Clerk's Office Escrow Department.

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**SHELBY COUNTY
CRIMINAL COURT
CLERK'S OFFICE**

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Our Services

We help people overcome challenges, restore rights, and access resources so they can move forward in their lives.

- ✓ Criminal Record Checks
- ✓ Court Information
- ✓ Copies of Court Documents
- ✓ Expungements
- ✓ Driver's License Recovery Program
- ✓ Gun Permit Letters
- ✓ Settlement Solution Program

About the Criminal Court Clerk's Office

The Criminal Court Clerk's Office was established by the Constitution of the State of Tennessee to:

- Maintain the records of the Shelby County Criminal Courts;
- Collect fines and costs assessed by the courts;
- Provide service to these courts, the criminal justice system, and the citizens of Shelby County; and
- Ensure efficient processing of court orders.

The Criminal Court Clerk's Office of Shelby County, Thirtieth Judicial District of the State of Tennessee, works with the nine divisions of Criminal Court. The nine Criminal Court Judges preside over felony and misdemeanor cases with a range of sentences from one year of imprisonment, to life with or without parole, to the death penalty.

Criminal Court Is Not:

- Traffic Court
- Civil Court

Expungements

As of May 9, 2024, certain non-violent felony offenders who have fulfilled all requirements of their sentence may seek to petition the expungement of their records, in accordance with State law.

According to T.C.A. § 40-32-101(k), eligible petitioners are no longer restricted by the total number of convictions they have; however, they can expunge no more than two convictions:

- Two misdemeanors, or
- One felony and one misdemeanor.
- Both offenses must meet the eligibility requirements for an expungement.

The petitioner must have completed all sentences imposed by the court for each offense the petitioner seeks to expunge.

- Class C & D felony charges/convictions must remain on the criminal record for a time lapse of 10 years. (after sentence and probation have ended).
- Class E felony and misdemeanors charges/convictions must remain on the criminal record for a time lapse of 5 years (after sentence and probation have ended).

If the eligible petitioner has a qualifying offense for expunction, the offense must have occurred before a conviction for a criminal offense that is ineligible for expunction.

The eligible petitioner must have paid all restitution, fines, fees, and litigation taxes on the case prior to receiving an expungement on an eligible charge/conviction.

For more specific expungement eligibility requirements, please visit www.criminalcourtclerkuhn.com/expungements.

To access and submit an online expungement inquiry form, please visit <https://www.criminalcourtclerkkuhn.com/inquiryform>.

