

Expunging old Marijuana Convictions – Criminal Records Program

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- [Private investigator John A. DeMarr](#), P.I., in response to intense demand for criminal records arising from California's new marijuana legalization, has announced a court-based program for obtaining criminal records. The new program covers all 47 courthouses in Los Angeles County, and all 58 counties in California.

“California’s new marijuana law might allow you to have your record wiped clean, or expunged,” says DeMarr. “Or, if you were convicted of a felony, you can petition the court for reduction of the charge to a misdemeanor, and THEN request expungement.”

“We are hearing from the courts that record numbers of criminal defendants have petitioned for expungement of misdemeanor convictions for pot crimes,” reports DeMarr. “Proposition 64, approved by 57.1% of California voters in November 2016, has resulted in at least 4,000 petitions for expungement of pot convictions across California.”

And, says DeMarr, “we know the State of California wants to reverse decades of marijuana convictions. These convictions can make it difficult to get a job, join the military, pass a background check; and these convictions disproportionately affect low-income and minority citizens.”

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We can help.

- First, we can get you a copy of your criminal record, from the Superior Court that rendered the conviction. We have relationships with courts all over California.
- Second, if your conviction was a misdemeanor, Penal Code section 1203.4a sets up criteria under which you can request expungement.
- You will need to complete California Judicial Council Form C180. If your conviction was for a felony, the procedure is more complicated. You will need to request the court reduce the conviction to a



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misdemeanor. You should probably hire a lawyer. If that effort is successful, you can proceed with the Form C180 procedure.

- The court filing fee for such a petition ranges from \$100.00 to \$400.00. Attorney fees and court costs would add to that total.

John A. Demarr, Private Investigator's new statewide criminal [records search](#) and copying service program provides important new tools for job hunters, and most importantly, for ordinary citizens seeking to cleanse an old pot conviction from their record across California.

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