

Am I Eligible to File a Petition to Seal Criminal Records?

You may petition the Phoenix Municipal Court to seal your records of arrest, conviction and sentence after you complete all the terms and conditions of your sentence (including paying all fines, fees and restitution that are ordered by the court)

AND

You have not been convicted of any other subsequent offenses, to include any conviction for driving under the influence (A.R.S. §§ 28-1381 through 28-1383), but not including any other misdemeanor traffic violation under Arizona Revised Statutes, Title 28.

AND

The following period of time has passed since you completed the conditions of probation or sentence and were discharged by the Phoenix Municipal Court:

- 3 years for a class 1 misdemeanor
- 2 years for a class 2 or 3 misdemeanor

NOTE: IF YOU WERE ARRESTED BUT NO INITIAL APPEARANCE WAS HELD AND NO CHARGES WERE FILED: You must file the petition in the superior court in the county where you were arrested.

NOTE: You have not completed your sentence if financial obligations exist under a Criminal Restitution Order for the applicable offenses. If you have completed all other terms of sentencing, the date of completion of the Criminal Restitution Order is the date of completion of the sentence. Additionally, if you have a prior historical felony conviction, you may have to wait an additional five years. (A.R.S. § 13-911 (F))