

The State of Minnesota is reviewing marijuana-related records and thousands of cases have already been expunged (removed from public view).



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WHAT DOES EXPUNGEMENT MEAN?

Expungement is defined as removing something. In this case, it means that some past cannabis cases can be sealed and won't show up on most criminal background checks. Thousands of cannabis-related offenses (misdemeanor convictions and specific offenses not resulting in a conviction) have already been automatically sealed. More complex misdemeanors and felonies are being reviewed by the Cannabis Expungement Board.

WHAT IS THE CANNABIS EXPUNGEMENT BOARD (CEB)?

The CEB was created to review felonies and some misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor records. There are approximately 110,000 cases to be reviewed. This work is expected to take several years to complete.

DO I NEED TO APPLY TO HAVE MY RECORD REVIEWED?

No, you do not need to apply. The Cannabis Expungement Board will automatically review records based on eligibility. However, you may choose to apply for earlier consideration. The CEB is reviewing cases as quickly as possible while taking great care to review each record on a case-by-case basis. This can take time, particularly in complex cases. For more information and to apply for earlier consideration, please visit **mn.gov/ceb**.

WHAT DOES CANNABIS EXPUNGEMENT MEAN FOR ME?

MISDEMEANORS

If you have a past misdemeanor marijuana conviction, your record may already be ealed. The Minnesota Department of Public Safety Bureau of Criminal Apprehension has expunged approximately 57,000 cannabis-related records. Go to chs.state.mn.us to see if your criminal history is sealed. Some misdemeanor cannabis convictions are ineligible for expungement.

FELONIES

The Cannabis Expungement Board will review eligible felonies and some misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor cases. There are approximately 110,000 cases to be reviewed. These cases are not eligible for automatic expungement and require a more extensive review process that will take several years to complete. Please visit mn.gov/ceb for more information.