

## **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 Out** If you wish to opt out of this service, sign below and provide this document to court clerk when you file your request to seal or expunge your record.

Please **do not** instruct background check companies to remove my sealed or expunged record.

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Case # \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_