

Do You Need Legal Help Related to the New Record Sealing Law?

Legal Advice & Eligibility

- ✓ Contact the **Virginia Lawyer Referral Service (VLRS)** to request a free 30-minute consultation with an attorney.
 - Call **(800) 552-7977**
 - **No \$35.00 fee** for record sealing referrals through June 30, 2027!
- ✓ Get free answers to your record sealing questions online at **Virginia Free Legal Answers (VA FLA)**. <https://virginia.freelegalanswers.org/>
 - Check eligibility and understand your rights – it's as easy as sending an email.
 - VA FLA is a pro bono Q&A site for financially eligible people—it's not a pro bono referral service and the free legal help is limited to advice on the website.

Legal Aid for Low-Income Individuals

- ✓ Call the statewide legal aid line at **(866) 534-5243**
 - Your local program may be able to help if you qualify based on your income.
 - Not all programs offer record sealing services.

Paid Legal Representation*

- ✓ If you have an eligible conviction and want a lawyer to help with a petition, contact the **Virginia Lawyer Referral Service (VLRS)** to request a referral.
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Important Dates: New law effective July 1, 2026; VLRS fee waiver ends June 30, 2027.

**The fees/billing rate charged by the lawyer for legal work is set according to the agreement between the VLRS attorney and the referred client. Questions about billing rates and fees should be directed to the referral attorney. The VLRS does not cap or set the billing rate or legal fees of participating attorneys.*