

In order to obtain criminal records for an individual you should contact the court clerk for the county where the case was tried. Many counties have criminal records available online. Some useful links are provided below, but this list is not exhaustive. When records are not online, they can sometimes be obtained by calling the court clerk. Other counties require that someone comes in person. Sometimes you may also need to call the police department, prior counsel, prosecutors, family court, or other government bodies to obtain a record.

If a record cannot be found or does not exist, you should request a letter from the court or agency stating the record does not exist, has been destroyed, etc.

ILLINOIS

Legal Aid Guide to Criminal Records: <https://www.illinoislegalaid.org/legal-information/how-get-copies-your-criminal-records>

Judici: <http://www.judici.com/>

Cook County: <https://cccportal.cookcountyclerkofcourt.org/CCCPortal>

Kane - <https://kanecoportal.co.kane.il.us/portal>

Dekalb - <http://circuitclerk.org/online-records.html>

DuPage - <https://epay.18thjudicial.org/Clerk/allsearch.do>

Kane - <https://kanecoportal.co.kane.il.us/portal>

Kendall - <http://www.co.kendall.il.us/circuit-clerk/online-court-records/>

Lake - <https://circuitclerk.lakecountyiil.gov/publicAccess/html/common/index.xhtml>

McHenry - <http://www.mcleancountyil.gov/PASearch>

McLean - <http://www.mcleancountyil.gov/PASearch>

Will - <http://66.158.72.242/pa/cms/SearchPrompt.php>

Winnebago - <http://www.cc.co.winnebago.il.us/access-court-records/>

INDIANA

Note: do not necessarily contain all records for listed counties

Multiple counties – <http://mycase.in.gov/default.aspx>

Multiple counties - <http://www.doxpop.com/prod/>

Multiple counties - <https://public.courts.in.gov/mycase/#/vw/Search>

WISCONSIN

All counties - <http://wcca.wicourts.gov/index.xsl>

KENTUCKY

Online paid statewide search: <https://kycourts.gov/aoc/criminalrecordreports/Pages/default.aspx>

Otherwise records must be obtained directly from the county's clerk, and some counties require that records be requested in person.

IOWA

All counties - <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/ESAWebApp//SelectFrame>

Inmate Locators

Note: for individuals in prison or recently released from prison

Illinois – <https://www2.illinois.gov/idoc/Offender/Pages/InmateSearch.aspx>

Indiana – <http://www.in.gov/apps/indcorrection/ofs/ofs>

Kentucky – <http://kool.corrections.ky.gov/> Federal – <http://www.bop.gov/inmateloc/>

Nationwide (not comprehensive) – <https://www.vinelink.com/vinelink/initMap.do>

Immigration Detention - <https://locator.ice.gov>