CLEARING ARRESTS, CRIMINAL CHARGES & CONVICTIONS FROM YOUR RECORD

A new Florida law may be able to help clear your criminal record. The law applies to arrests, charges or convictions in the State of Florida, if they occurred because you were the victim of trafficking. The law does not limit the number of arrests or convictions.

There are some exceptions, but the following are examples of charges that can be expunged (or cleared) from your record:
- Prostitution
- Lewdness
- Larceny/theft
- Controlled substances
- Forgery
- Trespass

Other convictions may be expunged if they occurred as a result of trafficking. Once a conviction is expunged, it will not appear on your record.

You may be eligible if your arrest occurred because you were trafficked. Being trafficked means you were under the age of 18 and engaged in prostitution or stripping or you were coerced into prostitution or any work by any of the following means:
- Threats of physical or financial harm
- Physical force
- Providing you controlled substances
- Controlling your money
- Isolating you from your family
- Confiscating your passport or other identification documents
- Forcing you to work off a debt

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