

IF YOUR CASE IS ULTIMATELY DISMISSED OR YOU ARE FOUND NOT GUILTY AT TRIAL, YOU MAY PETITION THE COURT TO SEAL YOUR RECORD.

A. PARACHUTE MUNICIPAL COURT TRAFFIC OFFENSES: Traffic violations are not eligible for sealing.

B. PARACHUTE MUNICIPAL COURT GENERAL OFFENSES:

You are advised that pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 24-72-702.5 you may pay \$65.00 (if you are indigent, you can request a waiver of the fee) and petition our court for the sealing of these records, as follows:

Acquittals: If you were acquitted at trial, you are eligible to have the record of your violation be sealed immediately.

Dismissals: If your case was dismissed you are eligible to have your record sealed immediately after your case is dismissed.

C. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT SEALED RECORDS FOR ALL CASES

A defendant whose record has been sealed is not required to disclose any information about the sealed case, including the mere fact that she or he was charged, and may state that she or he has not been criminally convicted, or that no such action has occurred. C.R.S. §24-72-702(1)(d) and C.R.S. §24-72-703(4)(d)(1). Employers, educational institutions, state and local government agencies, officials, landlords and employees shall not, in any application or interview or in any other way, require an applicant to disclose any information contained in sealed records. Applications of this type may not be denied solely because of the applicant's refusal to disclose arrest and criminal record information that has been sealed. There are exceptions for prospective attorneys, licensed educators, and applicants to a criminal justice agency.

An order sealing a **criminal record other than a conviction** does not apply to such records when an inquiry concerning the information is made by another criminal justice agency. An order sealing a **conviction** record does not deny access to a court, law enforcement agency, criminal justice agency, prosecuting attorney, or party required by law to conduct a criminal history record check on an individual.

Please consult the statute or legal counsel with any questions you may have. Court staff may not give you legal advice.