

Criminal Case Fresh Start Report

FINDING: Based on your answers, you are likely eligible for a nondisclosure order under statute section 411.0725.

GUIDANCE: You may apply for a nondisclosure order.

- If your offense was a misdemeanor under
 Chapters 20, 21, 22, 25, 42, 43, or 46 of the Texas Penal Code, you can apply two years after your offense was dismissed and discharged.
- Chapter 20: Kidnapping, Unlawful Restraint, and Smuggling of Persons
- Chapter 21: Sexual Offenses
- Chapter 22: Assaultive Offenses
- Chapter 25: Offenses against the Family
- Chapter 42: Disorderly Conduct or Related Offenses
- Chapter 43: Public Indecency
- Chapter 46: Public Health, Safety, and Morals (Weapons Offenses)

For any other misdemeanor, you may apply immediately once your case is dismissed and discharged.

To obtain this order, follow these steps:

- 1. Get a copy of your criminal record from Identogo.
- 2. Complete the guided forms (recommended) for nondisclosure section 411.0725.
- 3. File the completed application with the court that heard your case.

After you file the completed forms, the court will either grant your application or set a hearing date to decide whether to grant you a nondisclosure order.