

CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION (CHRI)

“Criminal history record information’ means information of record collected by a criminal justice agency ... that connects a specific, identifiable person ... with formal involvement in the criminal justice system either as an accused or as a convicted criminal offender. ‘Criminal history record information’ does not include: ... information of record of civil proceedings, including traffic infractions and other civil violations; intelligence and investigative record information ... ; or information of record of juvenile crime proceedings or their equivalent. ‘Formal involvement in the criminal justice system either as an accused or as a convicted criminal offender’ means being within the jurisdiction of the criminal justice system commencing with arrest, summons or initiation of formal criminal charges and concluding with the completion of every sentencing alternative imposed as punishment or final discharge from an involuntary commitment based upon a finding of not criminally responsible by reason of insanity or its equivalent.” 16 M.R.S. § 703(2). **NOTE:** For the complete definition, see <http://legislature.maine.gov/legis/statutes/16/title16sec703.html>.

EXAMPLES OF CHRI:

- Information disclosing that a person has been summonsed or arrested for a crime
- Information disclosing that a person has been formally charged with a crime
- Information disclosing that a person has been convicted of a crime
- Information disclosing that a criminal charge has been dismissed by a court with prejudice (**confidential** CHRI)
- Information that a person has been committed after a not criminally responsible by reason of insanity verdict or finding
- Information disclosing that a person has been acquitted of a criminal charge (**confidential** CHRI)
- Information disclosing that a person has petitioned for and been granted a full and free pardon (**confidential** CHRI)

