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### **Clerk Dorothy Brown and Justice, Legal, Law Enforcement and Educational Agencies to Bring Full-Service, Adult and Juvenile Expungement Summit to Kennedy-King College, June 2, 2018**

*Attorney Jarrett M. Adams, who went from defendant to defender, will be a featured speaker*

See the video of Gilberto Hernandez talking about his successful experience at Clerk Dorothy Brown's 2017 Expungement Summit.

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Gilberto Hernandez and his wife Ruthie recount the rewarding experience they had at the 2017 Second Chance Expungement Summit.

**What:** **Honorable Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County** and an array of judicial, governmental, legal, educational, community and religious organizations and agencies, present the **14<sup>th</sup> Annual Second Chance Adult and Juvenile Expungement Summit and Job Information Seminar at Kennedy-King College, 6343 S. Halsted St., Building W, Chicago.**

“This is an opportunity for individuals who qualify to expunge their court records; a second chance for them to be law-abiding, productive members of society,” said Clerk Brown. “We are attempting to remove as many impediments as possible for people who are attempting to better themselves and their families’ quality of life.”

This year’s Expungement Summit will feature a guest appearance by **Attorney Jarrett M. Adams**, a native Chicagoan who was wrongfully convicted of sexual assault at age 17, freed through the Innocence Project after serving nine years, and went on to graduate from Loyola Law School in 2015. Adams is now an attorney who works with the New York Innocence Project.



**Attorney Jarrett M. Adams**

At the summit, volunteer attorneys help prepare applications for the filing of petitions that qualify for expungement and sealing. Representatives from the Cook County Public Defender and Cabrini Green Legal Aid also assist attendees with legal concerns. The Illinois State Police holds informational sessions on their expungement petition review process. Additional presentations are made by representatives of the State Appellate Defender and the Illinois Attorney General. Judges are on site to hear petitions for fee waivers.

To have a petition filed on site, the petitioner **MUST BRING** a CHICAGO RAP Sheet and/or a CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD from the Illinois State Police. For Chicago adult and juvenile cases, individuals may obtain their rap sheets from Chicago Police Headquarters, 3510 S. Michigan. The cost is \$16 for adult cases, and there is **NO CHARGE FOR RAP SHEETS OF JUVENILE CASES**. For adult and/or juvenile cases for Cook County suburbs and other Illinois counties, **CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE (ISP)**. In addition, Criminal History Records may be obtained through Accurate Biometrics, a live scan (fingerprint) company that offers a discounted price of \$25 to Expungement Summit attendees.

There are filing fees associated with expungement and sealing, which may include \$120 per petition for Adult Expungement/Sealing (\$60 for the Clerk's Office and \$60 for the Illinois State Police (ISP)), \$9 per certified disposition (adult cases). ***There IS NO FILING FEE PER PETITION FOR JUVENILE EXPUNGEMENT.***

For additional information about the 2018 Expungement Summit, please call (312) 603-5200 or (312) 603-4641; or visit the Clerk's Office web site at [www.cookcountyclerkofcourt.org](http://www.cookcountyclerkofcourt.org). Expungement Summit updates are also posted on Facebook.com/Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County and Facebook.com/Clerk of the Circuit Court Expungement Summit.

**When: Saturday, June 2, 2018**  
**Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. and doors close at 6:00 p.m.**

**9:00 a.m. Assembly of guest speakers and panel discussion**

**Where: Kennedy-King College**  
6343 S. Halsted St. – Building W  
Chicago, IL 60621