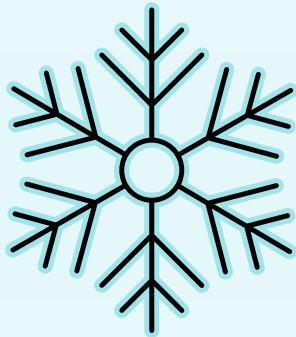




What Is New for January 1, 2026? Public Safety Report System





Agenda

- Review September 1st Roll Outs
- Overview of 1/1/2026 Roll Outs
- January Roll Out – Broken Down
- Email Notification Demonstration
- Enhancements
- What To Do With Expunctions!





Review

September 1, 2025, Statute and Enhancement



Chapter 54 Magistrates (17.027)

Clarified Chapter 54 Magistrate restrictions in bail decisions.

Orders granting bail by a Chapter 54 Magistrate must include the names of everyone who appointed the magistrate and state the Magistrate was appointed by those individuals.

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Affirmative Findings Article 42.01 Section 17

Judge shall make an affirmative finding of fact AND enter the affirmative finding in the judgement or dismissal order if it is determined that the defendant willfully failed to appear after the defendant was released from custody. The finding must include the number of times the defendant failed to appear

Submission of Bail Form 72.038 (b-1) (c)

Requires bail form to be completed for Class B and higher offense, reduced submission time from 72 hours to 48 hours.

Amended Section 17.027

Amended to change the article from 'Committed while on Bail, to Release on Bail of Defendant Charged with a felony'.



Effective January 1, 2026 – Senate Bill 9

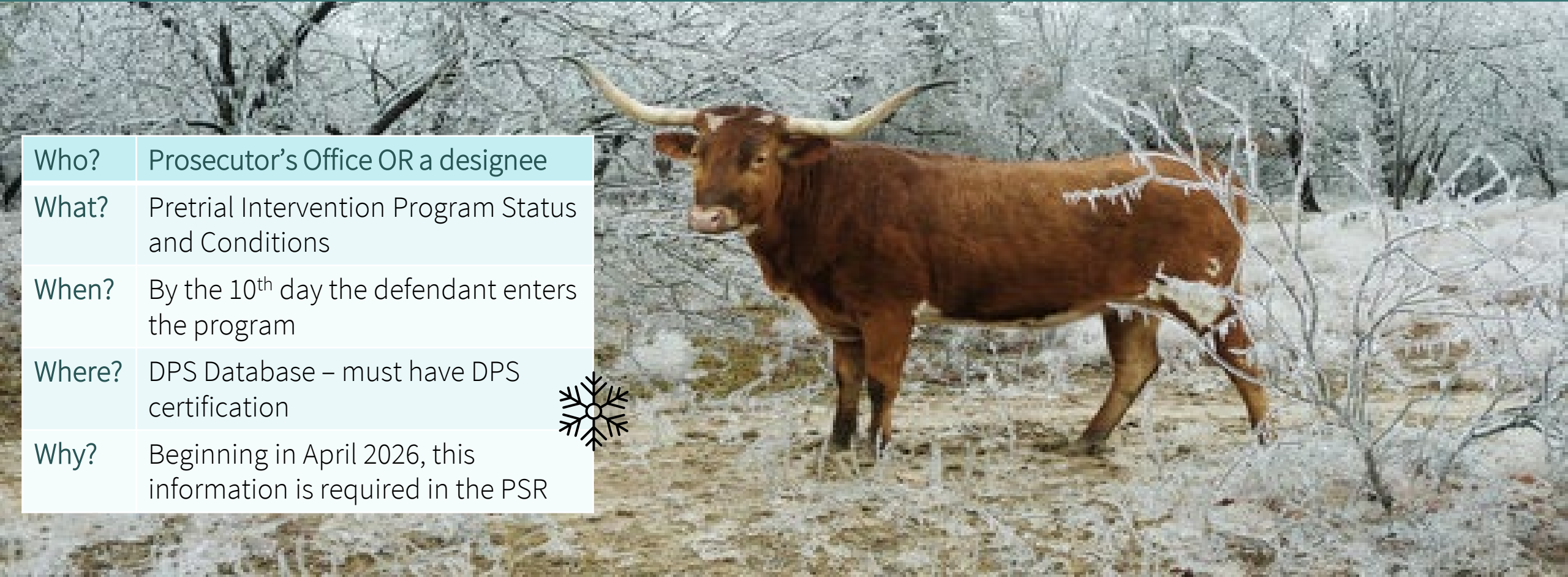


Code Of Criminal Procedure Article	Language From Senate Bill 9
16.24	As soon as practicable but not later than the 10th business day after the date a defendant enters a pretrial intervention program , the attorney representing the state, or the attorney 's designee who is responsible for monitoring the defendant 's compliance with the conditions of the program, shall enter information relating to the conditions of the program into the appropriate database of the statewide law enforcement information system maintained by the Department of Public Safety or modify or remove information, as appropriate.
17.021 (c-1)	On request by an attorney representing the state, the office shall provide to the attorney access to the public safety report system for the purpose of allowing the attorney to access a bail form submitted to the office under Section 72.038, Government Code.
17.021 (h) & (h-1)	The public safety report system must be configured to allow a county or municipality to integrate the jail records management system and case management systems used by the county with the public safety report system.
17.027 (c)	The local administrative district judge for each county shall designate an individual to receive electronic notices under Subsection (a)(2). The county shall ensure that the name and contact information of the individual designated to receive notices under this subsection are included in the public safety report system.
17.027 (d)	An individual designated under Subsection (c) who receives an electronic notice under Subsection (a) shall promptly provide the notice to the court specified by Subsection (a)(1), to the district clerk, and to the attorney representing the state and the defendant 's attorney, if known, in the pending case for the offense for which the defendant was initially released on bail.
72.038 (c-1) Government Code	The office shall provide to the elected district attorney in each county an electronic copy of the form submitted to the office under Subsection (c) for each defendant whose bail is set in the county for an offense involving violence, as defined by Article 17.03, Code of Criminal Procedure. An elected district attorney shall provide an e-mail address to the office for the purpose of receiving a form as provided by this subsection.



As soon as practicable but not later than the 10th business day after the date a defendant enters a **pretrial intervention program**, the attorney representing the state, or the attorney's designee who is responsible for monitoring the defendant's compliance with the conditions of the program, shall enter information relating to the conditions of the program into the appropriate database of the statewide law enforcement information system maintained by the Department of Public Safety or modify or remove information, as appropriate.

Who?	Prosecutor's Office OR a designee
What?	Pretrial Intervention Program Status and Conditions
When?	By the 10 th day the defendant enters the program
Where?	DPS Database – must have DPS certification
Why?	Beginning in April 2026, this information is required in the PSR





17.021 (c-1)

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Prosecutors will have 'view only' access to the PSRS to review Bail Form



Prosecutors will need to fill out a 'Request Form' at <https://www.txcourts.gov/bail/>

*Form will be available on or after 12/19/2025

Upon receipt of 'Request Form', OCA team will add 'view only' access and email instructions to set up the user profile and navigate the system.



Additional questions can be sent directly to Bail@txcourts.gov

What does this mean for you? As a user, awareness.

17.021

(h) The public safety report system must be configured to allow a county or municipality to integrate the jail records management system and case management systems used by the county with the public safety report system.

(h-1) The office may provide grants to reimburse counties and municipalities for costs related to integrating the systems described by Subsection. The office is not required to provide a grant under this subsection unless the office is appropriated money for that purpose. This subsection expires August 31, 2027.

PSRS must have ability to integrate with Jail and Case Management Systems

Counties and municipalities may apply for grants to cover the cost to integrate one or both systems

OCA is working to provide guidance on applying and other information – please check <https://www.txcourts.gov/bail/> after 1/1/2026 for updates. We will also send out correspondence to the Presiding Judges and Local Administrative District Judges.

Funds expire 8/31/2027



Denton County Courthouse



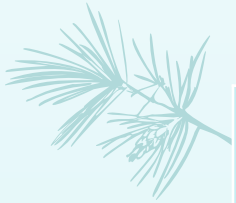
FELONY NOTIFICATIONS - 17.027 (c) & (d)



(a)(2) if a defendant is charged with committing an offense punishable as a felony while released on bail for another pending offense punishable as a felony and the subsequent offense was committed in a different county than the previous offense, electronic notice of the charge must be promptly given to the court specified by Subdivision (1) for purposes of reevaluating the bail decision, determining whether any bail conditions were violated, or taking any other applicable action.

(c) The local administrative district judge for each county shall designate an individual to receive electronic notices under Subsection (a)(2). The county shall ensure that the name and contact information of the individual designated to receive notices under this subsection are included in the public safety reports system.

(d) An individual designated under Subsection (c) who receives an electronic notice under Subsection (a) shall promptly provide the notice to the court specified by Subsection (a)(1), to the district clerk, and to the attorney representing the state and the defendant's attorney, if known, in the pending case for the offense for which the defendant was initially released on bail.



This notification is **ONLY necessary** when a defendant is arrested for a felony in a different county from where a prior (but pending) violent felony is pending.

Designees are being gathered from Local Administrative District Judge now and being submitted to Catalis to add to the PSRS.

Best Practice (*but not required*) is setting up a group email that multiple people have access to. This will alleviate the necessity to update the designees by OCA or by each jurisdiction when a user separates from the agency or no longer has this responsibility as the designee.

What does this mean for you? The designee shall promptly provide the notice to the **court**, to the **district clerk**, and to the **attorney representing the state and the defendant's attorney** (*of the original case - if known*)



72.038 (c-1) Government Code

The office shall provide to the elected district attorney in each county an electronic copy of the form submitted to the office under Subsection (c) for each defendant whose bail is set in the county for an offense involving violence, as defined by Article 17.03, Code of Criminal Procedure. An elected district attorney shall provide an e-mail address to the office for the purpose of receiving a form as provided by this subsection.

District Attorneys are responding to and providing designees to receive this correspondence to OCA.

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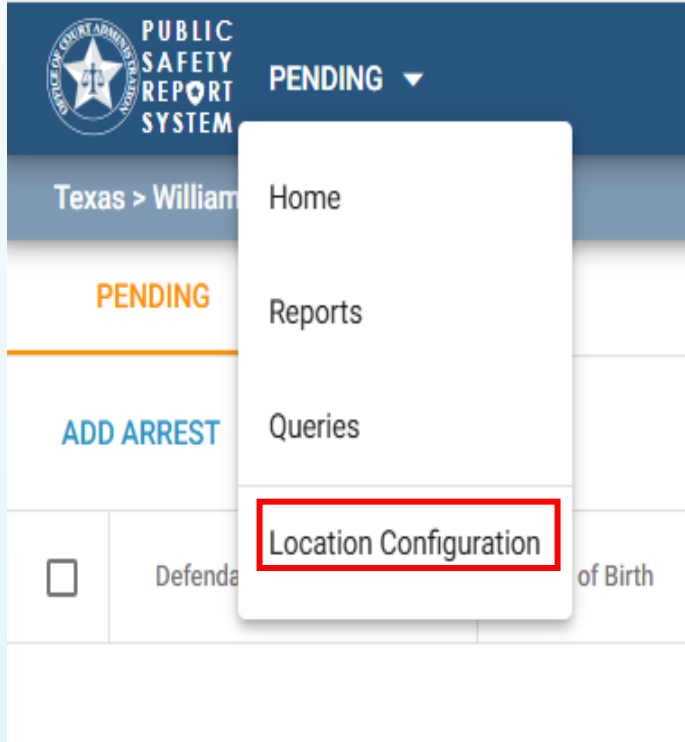
The prosecutor's office will determine if any action is needed to address bond violations.

What does this mean to you? Notification must be made to the elected District Attorney notifying them a violent offense (as outlined in 17.03) punishable as a felony has been committed and bail set.





What will the Notification Process Look like?



From the landing page click on the top arrow to select Location configuration.

Texas > District > 100th District Court > Carson

Security Locations

Roles

Users

Conditions

Custom List Fields

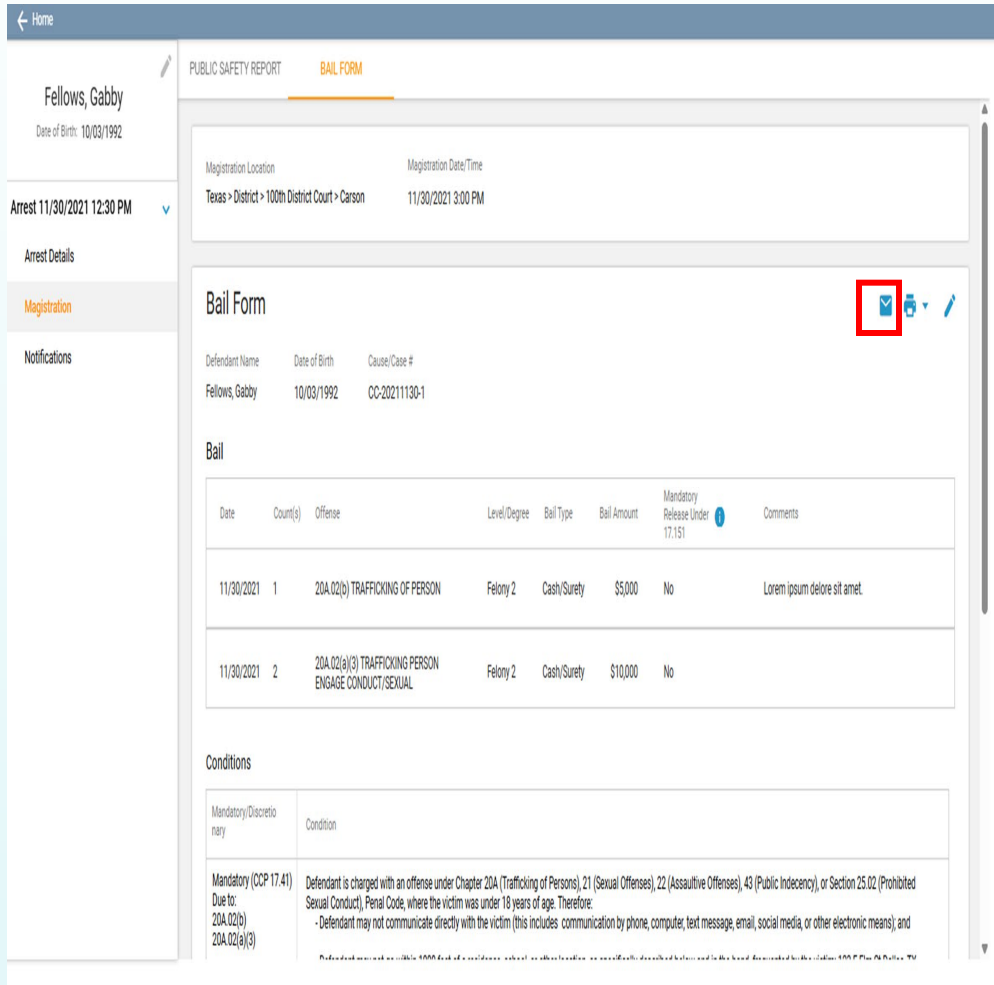
Email Notification Recipients

ADD RECIPIENT

Recipient Name	Email Address	Notification Type	Active
Michelle Romero	mromero@11thjdc.com	District Attorney Notification	Yes

Catalis will enter all recipients, and OCA will make updates and changes as requested by District Attorney, Local Administrative District Judge and/or the Local Admin.

How do I send a notification?

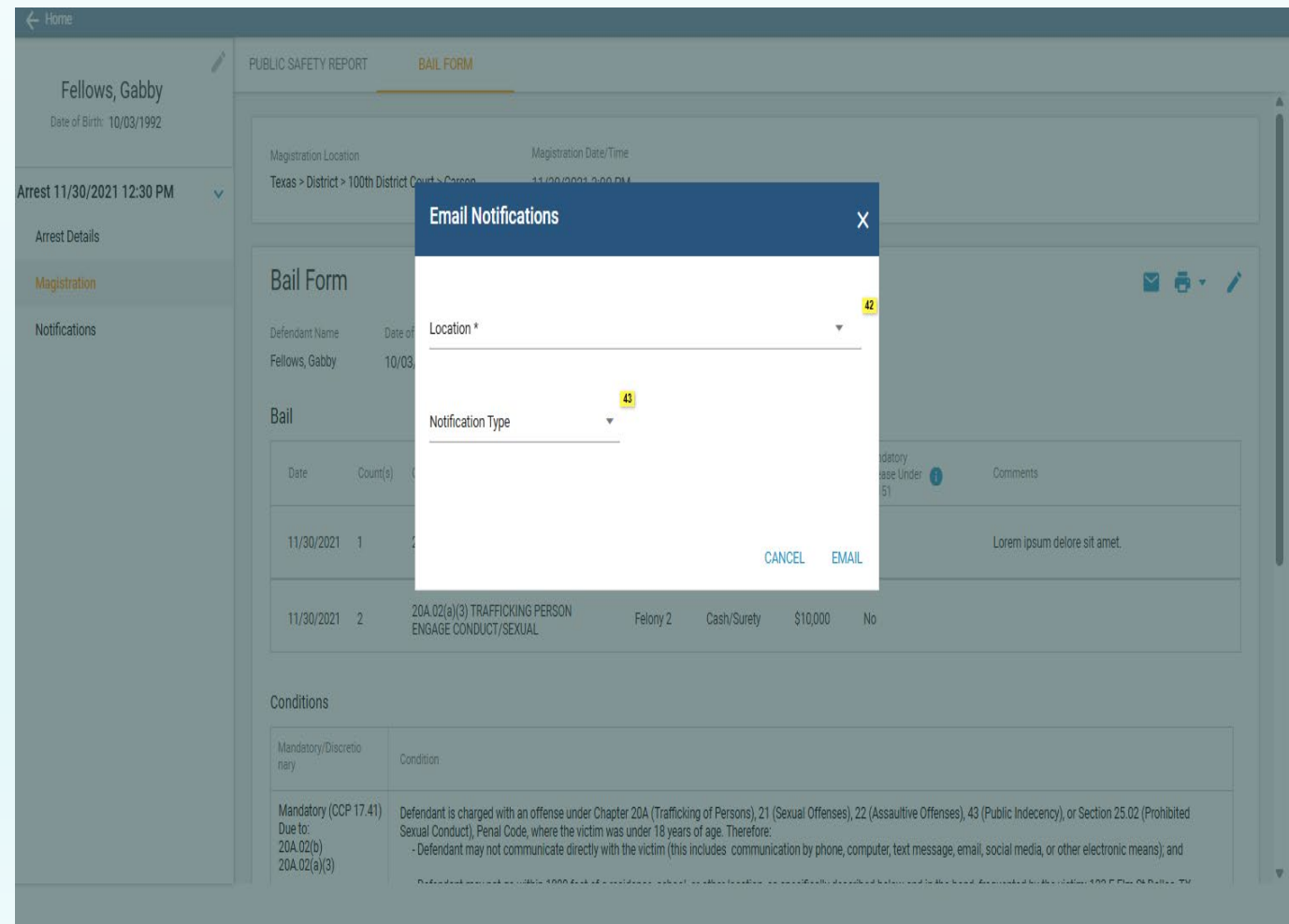


The screenshot shows the 'BAIL FORM' interface. On the left sidebar, there are tabs for 'Arrest Details', 'Magistration', and 'Notifications'. The 'Magistration' tab is selected. In the top right corner of the form, there is a red box highlighting an envelope icon, a printer icon, and an edit icon. The form contains fields for 'Magistration Location' (Texas > District > 100th District Court > Carson) and 'Magistration Date/Time' (11/30/2021 3:00 PM). Below this, there is a 'Bail Form' section with a table for 'Bail' and a 'Conditions' section.

Date	Count(s)	Offense	Level/Degree	Bail Type	Bail Amount	Mandatory Release Under 17.151	Comments
11/30/2021	1	20A.02(b) TRAFFICKING OF PERSON	Felony 2	Cash/Surety	\$5,000	No	Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet.
11/30/2021	2	20A.02(a)(3) TRAFFICKING PERSON ENGAGE CONDUCT/SEXUAL	Felony 2	Cash/Surety	\$10,000	No	

Mandatory/Discretionary	Condition
Mandatory (CCP 17.41) Due to: 20A.02(b) 20A.02(a)(3)	Defendant is charged with an offense under Chapter 20A (Trafficking of Persons), 21 (Sexual Offenses), 22 (Assaultive Offenses), 43 (Public Indecency), or Section 25.02 (Prohibited Sexual Conduct), Penal Code, where the victim was under 18 years of age. Therefore: - Defendant may not communicate directly with the victim (this includes communication by phone, computer, text message, email, social media, or other electronic means); and - Defendant may not communicate directly with the victim (this includes communication by phone, computer, text message, email, social media, or other electronic means); and

When the envelope icon is selected, the user will begin typing the County to notify. You would then choose which notification you are making – DA (felony within County) or designee for original county.



The screenshot shows the 'BAIL FORM' interface with the 'Email Notifications' dialog box open. The dialog box has a title bar 'Email Notifications' and a close button 'X'. It contains two dropdown menus: 'Location *' and 'Notification Type'. There are yellow callout numbers 42 and 43 next to the dropdown arrows. At the bottom of the dialog box, there are 'CANCEL' and 'EMAIL' buttons. The background shows the same 'BAIL FORM' interface as the previous screenshot, but it is dimmed.

Effective 1/1/2026, there will be an envelope icon available for all users.





Can I check to see if Notification was sent?

From the Bail Form - Select Notifications

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Fellows, Gabby

Date of Birth: 10/03/1992

Arrest 11/30/2021 12:30 PM

Arrest Details

Magistration

Notifications

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

BAIL FORM

Magistration Location

Magistration Date/Time

Texas > District > 100th District Court > Carson

11/30/2021 3:00 PM

Bail Form

Defendant Name

Date of Birth

Cause/Case #

Fellows, Gabby

10/03/1992

CC-20211130-1

Bail

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Users have the ability to track if a notification was made, the type of notification, and by whom.

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Fellows, Gabby	Date/Time ↑	Sent By	Location	Notification Type	Sent To
Date of Birth: 10/03/1992	07/09/2018 12:00 PM	Susan Walters	Texas > Harris County	District Attorney Notification	Michell Romero, John Waters
Arrest 11/30/2021 12:30 PM	07/09/2018 12:00 PM	Susan Walters	Texas > Tarrant County	New Offense	Lauren Williams
Arrest Details					
Magistration					
Notifications					

72.038 Notification (Notice to DA when for violent felony charge)

Subject Line: **Felony Arrest Notification under 72.038 Government Code**

Date: **AUTO FILL**

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to Article 72.038 (c-1), Government Code, this shall serve as electronic notification that a felony offense involving violence (as defined in 17.03 within the Code of Criminal Procedure) has resulted in an arrest in your jurisdiction. Details are listed below, and supplemental bail information is attached.

Defendant Name: **AUTO FILL**

DOB: **AUTO FILL**

SID or FBI: **AUTO FILL**

Arrest Date: **AUTO FILL**

Offense(s): **AUTO FILL**



If you have questions or concerns regarding this information, please reach out to the appropriate stakeholders in your jurisdiction. If you are receiving this message in error or the designee information needs to be changed or updated, please send correspondence to Bail@txcourts.gov.

Example ONLY

17.027 Notification (Felony in jurisdiction A and pick up a new felony in jurisdiction B)



Subject Line: Cross County Felony Arrest Notification Under 17.027 CCP

Date: AUTO FILL

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to Article 17.027 (a) (2), Code of Criminal Procedure, this shall serve as electronic notification that the person listed below may be charged with an offense punishable as a felony in your jurisdiction and has been charged with a subsequent offense punishable as a felony in another jurisdiction. Notification is being made for purposes of reevaluating the bail decision, determining whether any bail conditions were violated, or taking any other applicable action.

Additionally, pursuant to 17.027 (c) (d) you have been identified by the Local Administrative District Judge (LADJ) as the designee to receive this notification and are required to promptly provide notice to the court, the district clerk, the attorney representing the state and the defendant's attorney if known.

Details are listed below.

Defendant Name: AUTO FILL

DOB: AUTO FILL

SID or FBI: AUTO FILL

County of New Arrest: AUTO FILL

Arrest Date: AUTO FILL

Offense(s): AUTO FILL

If you have questions or concerns regarding this information, please reach out to the appropriate stakeholders in your jurisdiction. If you are receiving this message in error or the designee information needs to be changed or updated, please send correspondence to Bail@txcourts.gov. If you are a prosecutor, you may access the bail form in the PSRS. If you have not yet been entered into the PSRS please visit <https://www.txcourts.gov/bail/> to fill out the Prosecutor Request Form and email to Bail@txcourts.gov

Example ONLY



Enhancements are HERE



Available Enhancements



Searching For A Defendant

- In the add arrest line, you may now locate a defendant by their SID or FBI number in addition to their name.

Find Defendant

Defendant *

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Bond Conditions

Did you know that current bond conditions are not summarized in the PSR, but available on the criminal history?

View Full History

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New Mexico

Texas

West Virginia

Bond Conditions

17.151 Releases

Within the Bail Form, only check the 17.151 box when the release is **MANDATORY** time limits and state is not ready to proceed.

Bail Type	Bail Amount	Mandatory Release under 17.151	Comments
Cash/Surety	\$ 10100	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments



Coryell County Courthouse

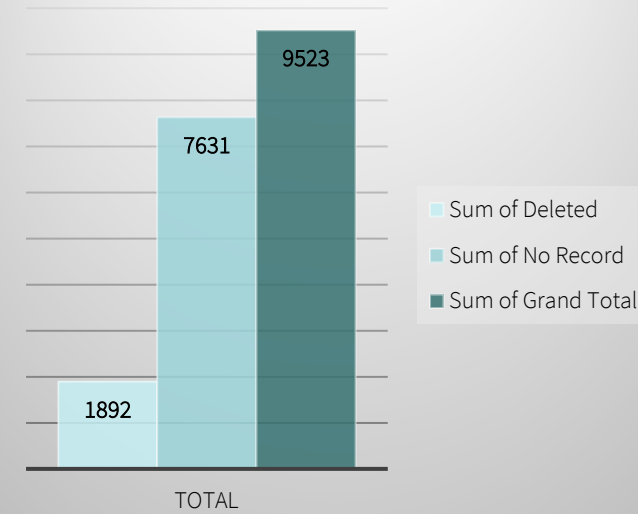
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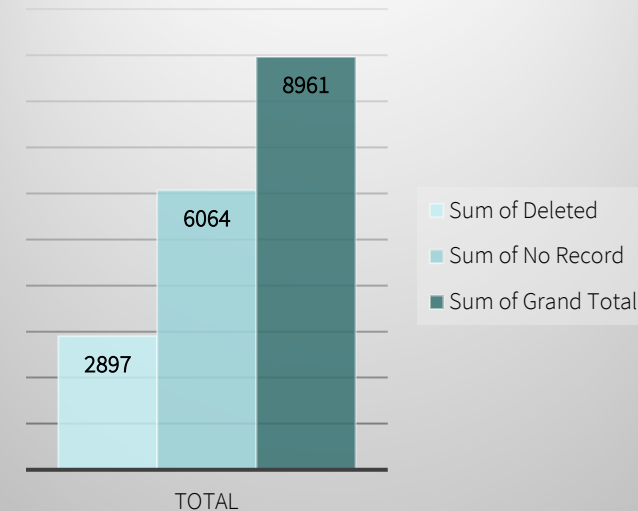


- Since September 2023, The Bail Team has been processing Expunction Orders sent to OCA's legal department.
 - In FY 24, a total of 1,892 records were expunged from the PSRS, while 7,631 records were not found in the system.
 - If FY 25, 2,897 records were expunged from the PSRS, while 6,064 records were not found in the system.
- The difference in numbers could be attributed to the local jurisdictions expunging the records from the PSRS when they are received from the court(s).
 - This is the preferred process; however, the OCA Bail Team will still double-check to ensure all parties are in compliance.

FY 24 Expunctions

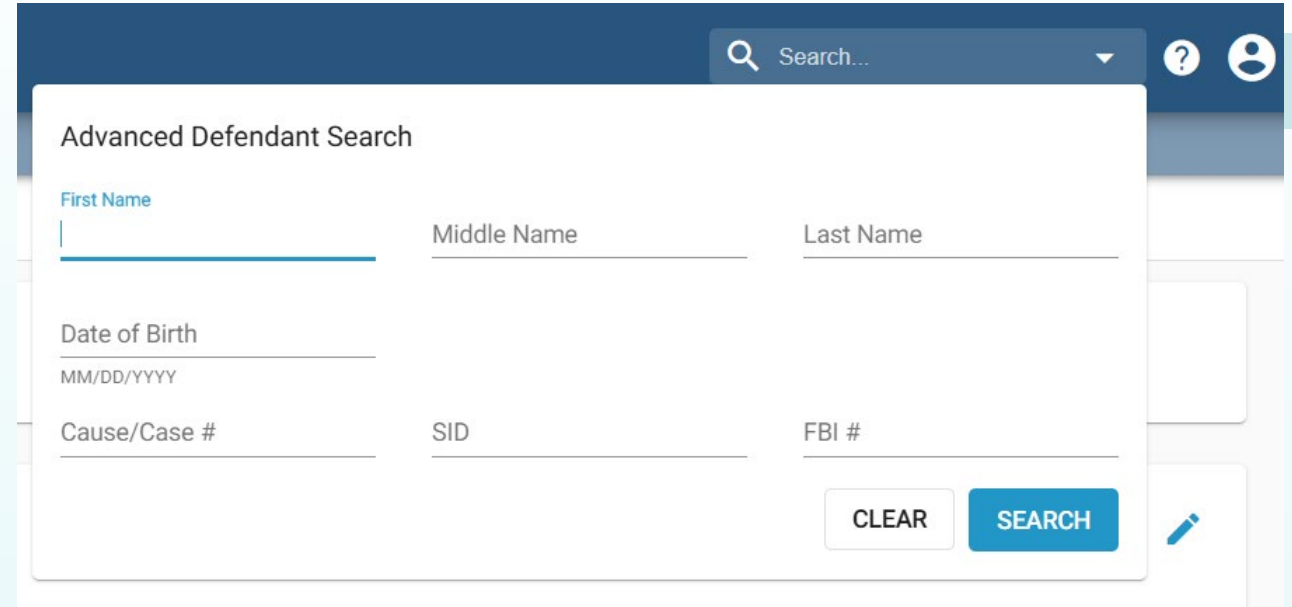


FY 25 Expunctions



Expunction Process

- You will search for the defendant
 - Click on the defendant's name;
 - If the defendant's bail form has been certified, you will need to un-certify the bail form to delete it.
- To un-certify: Click on the **Magistration Tab** under the Arrest; select the pencil to edit, then **Error Correction**; Then, click **Continue**
 - The Bail Form is now open.



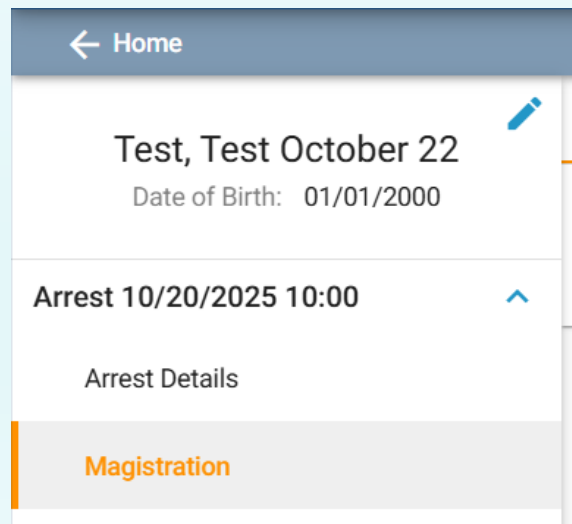
Advanced Defendant Search

Search...


First Name Middle Name Last Name

Date of Birth
MM/DD/YYYY


Cause/Case # SID FBI #



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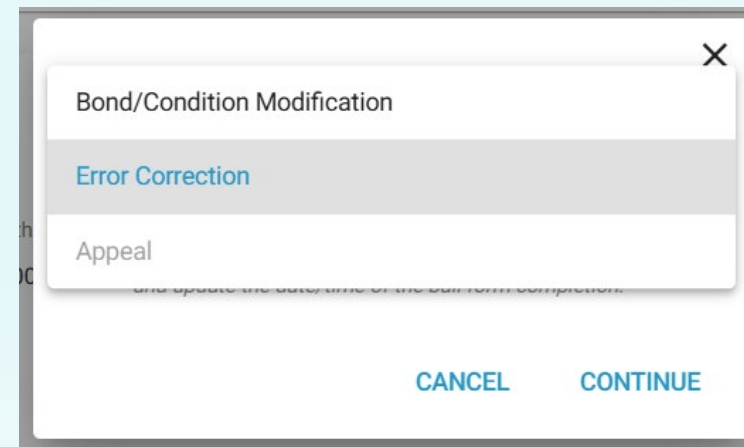
Test, Test October 22 

Date of Birth: 01/01/2000

Arrest 10/20/2025 10:00 

Arrest Details

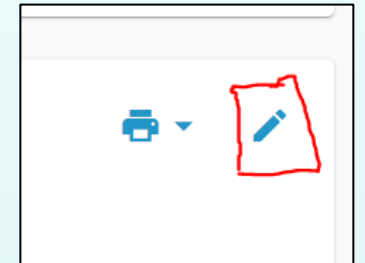
Magistration



Bond/Condition Modification

Error Correction

Appeal



Expunction Process (cont)



- Return to the **Arrest Details Tab**;
 - Click on the blue trash can;
 - In the pop-up box, enter the person's last name as it shows in their record.
 - If the person has a suffix in their name (i.e., Jr, Sr, II, III, etc.), they normally do not need to be entered
- Then click on **Delete**.
 - That arrest record is now deleted.
- Repeat the steps for each arrest that needs to be deleted.
 - *Note:**
 - The key is to verify the Defendant is the correct one, by verifying the **Name**, **DOB**, and **County**. On many occasions, the Cause/Case number will be different than what is in the PSRS.
 - If the defendant has multiple records in the PSRS, all records will need to be deleted to be in compliance.

The screenshot shows the PSRS interface. At the top is a header with the Florida Department of Corrections logo and the text 'PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT SYSTEM'. Below this is a navigation bar with a 'Home' button. The main content area shows a defendant's record for 'Test, Test October 22' with a date of birth of '01/01/2000'. Below this is a section for 'Arrest 10/20/2025 10:00' with a blue trash can icon. The 'Arrest Details' tab is selected, showing a list of tabs: 'Arrest Details' (highlighted in orange) and 'Magistration'.

The screenshot shows a pop-up box titled 'SPLIT CAUSE/CASE'. It contains a blue trash can icon and a blue pencil icon.

The screenshot shows a confirmation dialog box with a yellow warning triangle icon. The text reads: 'Are you sure you want to delete this record? This action cannot be reversed. To confirm, please enter the last name of the defendant for this arrest record.' Below this is a text input field labeled 'Last Name *'. At the bottom right are two buttons: 'CANCEL' and 'DELETE'.

Thank you!



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