

WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE CHARGES, ARRESTS, OR CITATIONS

POLICE ARRESTS AND CHARGES

If you were arrested by the police or were charged with committing a crime, you must get a Certificate of Disposition.

A **Certificate of Disposition** is an official court document that indicates the current status of a case or its final disposition. To request a Certificate of Disposition bring the following items to the Central Clerk's Office in the court in which your case was processed:

- · Defendant's full name and date of birth
- Docket Number (if you know it)
- Picture I.D.
- \$10.00 (exact change only). If you are receiving public benefits, present your valid N.Y. State Benefit I.D. card to get the certificate for FREE.

Note: If you have had encounters with law enforcement outside of New York City, you need to obtain the certified criminal court disposition from the relevant courts.

COURT CLERK OFFICES BY COUNTY

Bronx County

Criminal Court

215 East 161st Street, 1st Floor Bronx, NY 10451

Supreme Court

Criminal Division 265 East 161st Street, 2nd Floor Bronx, NY 10451

Kings County (Brooklyn)

Criminal Court

120 Schermerhorn Street, Room 510 Brooklyn, NY 11210

Supreme Court

Criminal Division, Room 13.06 320 Jay Street Brooklyn, NY 11210

New York County (Manhattan)

Criminal Court

100 Centre Street, Room 150 New York, NY 10013

Supreme Court

Criminal Division 100 Centre Street, Room 1000 New York, NY 10013

Queens County

Criminal Court

125-01 Queens Blvd., Room G-78 Kew Gardens, NY 11415

Supreme Court

Criminal Division, Room 710 125-01 Queens Boulevard Kew Gardens, NY 11415

Richmond County (Staten Island)

Criminal Court

67 Targee Street, First floor Staten Island, NY 10301

Supreme Court

Criminal Division 26 Central Avenue, Second floor Staten Island, NY 10301

MTA CITATIONS

If you were issued a citation ("subway ticket") by the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA), you must get a **Letter of Disposition for MTA Fines and Summonses**.

To request a Letter of Disposition for MTA Fines and Summonses go to:

Transit Adjudication Bureau 29 Gallatin Place, Third Floor Brooklyn, NY 11201

Tel: (347) 643-5805

Open Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Bring the following documents:

- Government ID
- Social Security Card (If you do not have a Social Security Number, provide a notarized statement that you have not been issued one.)

Payment:

Check or cash (exact change only) as follows:

- \$5.00 if you have 1 violation (or none)
- \$10.00 if you have two or more violations

Processing time:

30 to 45 minutes, same day

Note: A Letter of Disposition for MTA Fines and Summonses will not be issued if there any outstanding tickets.

If you get a "No Records" letter from the MTA, then you must get a Certificate of Disposition from the Court Clerk. See other side for court information.

WARNING:

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