

## STANDARD SEARCH DISCLAIMERS

*The list below outlines the standard statewide and county level searches in each state. Please note, there are different types of searches available, and each state operates differently.*

*Statewide Court Search: This is direct access to statewide court records. This is an FCRA Compliant search, although in some states, not all counties or courts utilize the record system. The description below will indicate if certain counties or courts do not participate, or have not participated for a full seven years. Prior to conducting this search, our investigators will pursue individual court searches if your applicant lives in a county without adequate coverage. Not all states offer this type of search.*

*Statewide Repository Search: These searches are dependent on each individual court reporting data to the state. We strongly recommend clients consider the risk involved in relying only on a statewide repository search. Sometimes they have cost advantages, but can open us up to missing, incomplete or inaccurate information. Pinnacle does not report public record information obtained through a statewide repository unless it has first been verified at the court of record for accuracy, where the case originated. The descriptions below will indicate if possible records require further verification.*

*County & Individual Court Searches: A county search is a search of the official court records within one county. The information obtained is the same as the statewide court search. If both are available, then each one can provide different cost advantages given the circumstances. Some states offer access at the county or individual court level. In some states, individual courts within a county have to be searched if each court maintains their own record system. In some locations, municipal or other lower level courts cannot be searched.*

*If you have any questions or would like further information on your state, please contact our experienced team of investigators at [requests@pinnacleprof.com](mailto:requests@pinnacleprof.com) or 509-252-4548.*

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**ALABAMA:** *Statewide/County:* Standard search includes all courts.

**ALASKA:** *Statewide/Borough:* Standard search includes all courts.

**ARKANSAS** *Statewide:* This is a State Police search. Standard search includes all courts but may not have complete information. Information is obtained from each individual jurisdiction and may include partial or outdated information if complete/current case details were not provided to the state. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County:* Standard search includes Circuit Court & the primary District Court. Municipal courts are not included.

**ARIZONA:** *Statewide:* Search does not include Pima Superior Court and select Justice of the Peace and Municipal Courts. Records do not always indicate severity of charge or complete DOB and sometimes require further verification at the court of record. *County:* Standard search includes Superior Court and primary Justice Court. It does not include municipal courts or some justice courts.

**CALIFORNIA:** *Statewide:* Not available. *County:* Standard search includes all courts. Convictions and pending charges are included for 7 years.

**COLORADO:** *Statewide/County:* Standard search includes all courts and types of criminal cases.

CONNECTICUT: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts. Only Convictions and pending charges are reported.

DELAWARE: *Statewide/County*: Standard search does not include Justice of the Peace Courts.

FLORIDA: *Statewide*: Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Search. This search may not include complete information. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search includes all courts.

GEORGIA: *Statewide*: Standard search is a repository search which includes all courts but may not have complete information. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search does not include Municipal or Magistrate Courts. All types of criminal cases are included.

HAWAII: *Statewide*: Standard search includes all courts but may not have complete information. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search includes all courts and types of criminal cases. Only convictions are reported, per state law.

IDAHO: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts and types of criminal cases. Availability of juvenile cases may be limited.

ILLINOIS: *Statewide*: Illinois State Police search. This search can take up to 3 months if there is a record. Search will provide convictions only and may not include complete/current information. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search includes all courts and types of criminal cases.

INDIANA: *Statewide*: This search provides Felony and Class A Misdemeanor Arrests only. *County*: Standard search includes all courts.

IOWA: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts.

KANSAS: Convictions and pending charges are reportable. Scope is 7 years unless expected salary exceeds \$20,000. *Statewide*: Kansas Bureau of Investigations includes all courts but may not have complete information. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search includes all courts.

KENTUCKY: Convictions and pending charges are reportable. Standard scope is 7 years. *Statewide*: Standard search includes all courts but may not have complete information. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search includes the criminal court at the county seat.

LOUISIANA: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search does not include city courts.

MAINE: *Statewide*: Standard search is a repository search and includes all courts but may not have complete information. Only Convictions are reported. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search includes all courts.

MARYLAND: *Statewide*: Standard search includes all courts. Only convictions are reportable; scope is 7 years unless expected salary exceeds \$20,000. *County*: Not available.

MASSACHUSETTS: Scope is 7 years unless expected salary exceeds \$20,000. *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes superior court and district court at the county seat.

MICHIGAN: *Statewide*: Standard search is a repository search and includes all courts but may not have complete information. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search includes court at the county seat.

MINNESOTA: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts.

MISSISSIPPI: *Statewide*: Standard search is a repository search and includes felonies only. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search includes all courts.

MISSOURI: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes all courts except municipal.

MONTANA: *Statewide*: Standard search is a repository search and includes all courts but may not have complete information. Records must be verified by the court of record and do not include criminal traffic or associated charges in a criminal traffic case. *County*: Standard search includes all courts except municipal.

NEBRASKA: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts. Availability of juvenile cases may be limited.

NEVADA: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes all courts. Scope is 7 years.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes superior court and district court at the county seat and includes all types of criminal cases. Scope is 7 years unless expected salary exceeds \$20,000.

NEW JERSEY: *Statewide*: Search provides Felony and Remand Misdemeanors (Felony charges amended to Misdemeanors) only; does not include Municipal Courts. *County*: Not available.

NEW MEXICO: *Statewide*: Standard search may not include municipal court records. *County*: Standard search includes all courts. Scope is 7 years.

NEW YORK: *Statewide*: Standard search is a repository search and includes all courts. Scope varies by individual jurisdiction. *County*: Standard search includes felonies and felonies with attached misdemeanors filed in the county courts. Misdemeanors filed in city courts and justice courts are not included. Scope is 7 years unless expected salary exceeds \$25,000.

NORTH CAROLINA: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts.

NORTH DAKOTA: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts.

OHIO: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes Court of Common Pleas and Municipal court at the county seat.

OKLAHOMA: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts.

OREGON: *Statewide/County*: Standard search does not include justice or municipal courts.

PENNSYLVANIA: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts.

RHODE ISLAND: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts.

SOUTH CAROLINA: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts.

SOUTH DAKOTA: *Statewide*: Standard search includes all courts. *County*: Not available.

TENNESSEE: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes General Sessions and Circuit Courts.

TEXAS: *Statewide*: Department of Public Safety. Standard search includes all courts but may not have complete information. Records must be verified by the court of record. *County*: Standard search does not include Municipal & Justice Courts. All types of criminal cases are included.

UTAH: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts except some Justice Courts.

VERMONT: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes all courts.

VIRGINIA: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes all courts except Juvenile/Domestic Court.

WASHINGTON: *Statewide/County*: Standard search includes all courts. Standard scope is 7 years unless expected salary exceeds \$20,000.

WEST VIRGINIA: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes all courts. Search does not include court cases with open arrest warrants.

WISCONSIN: *Statewide*: Standard search includes Circuit Court only. *County*: Not available.

WYOMING: *Statewide*: Not available. *County*: Standard search includes all courts.