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Apps that Ease the Expungement Process

Apps Help People Clear up Legal Issues, Expunge Records

Sometimes, a minor legal infraction can hang around in public records, completely forgotten until the worst possible moment, such as when someone applies for a job. A new app called Legal Tune Up, designed by a social justice collaboration in Wisconsin, helps residents of that state find and resolve any hidden legal issues that could bar them from employment. At [LawSites](#), Robert Ambrogi shares more details about how this app was developed, how it works, and what updates are planned in the next few months. Meanwhile, in Illinois, the 2020 legalization of cannabis also meant that a host of related arrests and convictions were added to the list of offenses eligible for expungement and sealing. Legal Aid Chicago and Chapman and Cutler LLP have launched a web-based app to help automate this process. Learn more at [Law360](#).

Law School News: University of Dayton Offers Fast-Track Program, Western Michigan University Ends Affiliation with Cooley

A new program at University of Dayton will allow some students to earn both a bachelor's degree and a law degree in a total of five years rather than the traditional seven. Eligible criminal justice students and philosophy majors will apply to law school after three years of undergraduate work and then start their first year of law school during their fourth year of college. Much of law relates to philosophy, the dean of the law school explains, and a law degree is also a natural next step for those studying criminal justice. [Dayton 24/7NOW](#) has more information. In other law school news, the board of trustees for Western Michigan University recently voted to end its affiliation with Cooley Law School, a formal association that has been in place since 2013. The trustees said the affiliation with Cooley, which has had accreditation compliance issues in the past three years, has become a distraction from WMU's core mission. What were the compliance problems, and how soon will the termination be complete? Find out at [ABA Journal](#).

New York State Bar Association Passes Resolution Urging Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccination

Once a COVID-19 vaccine is available to the public, should it be mandatory? Earlier this month, the House of Delegates of the New York State Bar Association considered that question and passed a resolution to urge the state to consider requiring COVID-19 vaccination if voluntary vaccinations don't produce the necessary levels of population immunity. The resolution also suggests that an assessment be done of the health threat to various communities, perhaps leading to a targeted mandate, and specifies that a mandate should only be considered once there's expert consensus about the vaccine's safety and efficacy. At [New York Law Journal](#), read more about this resolution and about some of the intense public reaction it has sparked.

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