

State Clemency Resources

Which form(s) of clemency does the state offer?

- Commutations of sentences
- Pardons
- Expungements
- Reprieves

Decisionmaker

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board gives recommendations to the Governor who makes the final determination.

🔗 **Resources:** www.illinois.gov

Constitutional and statutory authority

- **Constitutional Authority:**
Ill. Const. Art. V § 12
- **Statutory Authority:**
730 Ill. Comp. Stat. 5/3-3-13

Eligibility Criteria

Anyone convicted of a crime in Illinois may apply for clemency.

Application Process

- (1) File executive clemency petition before the Board's public hearing date
- (2) Type and print your petition
- (3) Gather the documents you need to submit with your petition (which will be listed on the application form)
- (4) Get the petition notarized and make copies (this requirement is suspended due to COVID-19)
- (5) Mail your petition to the state's attorney's office and your sentencing judge:

🔗 <https://www.illinoislegalaid.org/legal-information/applying-executive-clemency#:~:text=Any%20conviction%20in%20the%20State,you%20have%20of%20receiving%20clemency>

APPLICATION LINKS

- 🔗 **Clemency Guidelines:** <https://prb.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/prb/documents/exclemguide-4-3-13.pdf>
- 🔗 **Clemency Form:** <https://prb.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/prb/documents/sample-petition-4-1-15.pdf>