



# Defense Central Index of Investigations (DCII)

The DCII is an automated central index that identifies both investigations conducted by DoD law enforcement activities (LEAs) and personnel security determinations made by DoD adjudicative authorities. The database is maintained by the Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency. Entries included in the database are the responsibility of the agency contributing the data.

**Governing regulations:** DoDI 5505.07, *Titling and Indexing by DoD Law Enforcement Activities*, and AFMAN 71-102, *Air Force Criminal Indexing*.

**Basis for entry:** Entries are based on credible information that the subject of the investigation committed a criminal offense. DoDI 5505.07, para. 1.2.a. Credible information is defined by DoDI 5505.07 as "information disclosed or obtained by a DoD LEA that, considering the source and nature of the information and the totality of the circumstances, is sufficiently believable to lead a trained DoD LEA person to presume the fact or facts in question are true." Victims and incidentals also may be identified in the DCII. An incidental is defined by DoDI 5505.07 as "any person or entity associated with a matter under investigation whose identity may be of subsequent value for law enforcement or security purposes."

**Contents of entry:** Name of subject, victim or incidental, date of birth, place of birth, Social Security number, identity of the indexing agency, case number of the DoD investigation, the length of time the record will be maintained, and the date the investigation was closed.

**Impact of entry:** Entry into the DCII is an administrative procedure only and will not imply any degree of guilt or innocence. DoDI 5505.07, paragraph 1.2.c. Judicial or adverse administrative actions will not be taken based solely on the existence of a DCII entry. DoDI 5505.07, paragraph 1.2.c. The impact of entry into this database is that investigators may

retrieve the information included in the database while conducting criminal, security clearance, and background investigations. DoDI 5505.07, paragraph 1.2.d. Entries remain in this database for 75 years.

**Access to the database:** Access to this database is limited to DoD and other federal agencies that have adjudicative, investigative, or counterintelligence missions.

**Criteria for removal:** Entries will be expunged, or removed from this database, if probable cause did not or does not exist to believe that the offense for which the person was indexed occurred or that the person indexed committed it. DoDI 5505.07, paragraph 3.2.a. Probable cause is defined by AFMAN 71-102 as a "determination that there are reasonable grounds to believe that an offense has been committed and that the person to be identified as the offender committed it." Expungement also may be granted in the interest of justice based on other circumstances. DoDI 5505.07, paragraph 3.2.a. In accordance with Section 545 of Public Law 116-283, when determining whether other circumstances warrant expungement in the interest of justice, factors to consider include: the extent or lack of corroborating evidence against the covered person; whether adverse administrative, disciplinary, judicial or other action was initiated against the covered person for the offense; and the type, nature, and outcome of any adverse administrative, disciplinary, judicial, or other action taken against the covered person for the offense. DoDI 5505.07, paragraph 3.2.b.

**Expungement requests:** Submit requests for expungement to the Department of the Air Force Criminal Justice Information Center at [daf.cjic.expungements@us.af.mil](mailto:daf.cjic.expungements@us.af.mil). For additional information on expungements, please visit: <https://www.osi.af.mil/About/Expungement-Request/>.

