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BILL NO. 36-0057

Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

March 28, 2025

An Act amending title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 314, section 3733, subsection (a) to require automatic expungement of the arrest record and complaint or information when the accused has been acquitted

PROPOSED BY: Senators Alma Francis Heyliger and Avery L. Lewis
Co-sponsors: Clifford A. Joseph, Sr., Ray Fonseca
and Milton E. Potter

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 314, section 3733, subsection (a) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and by adding the following subsection (c):

“(c) Upon the acquittal of an accused, the Court shall enter an order expunging the accused record of the arrest and the criminal complaint or information upon which the accused was tried.”

BILL SUMMARY

This bill requires the Court enter an order expunging the arrest record and the complaint or information upon which the accused was tried, if the accused was acquitted of the charges.

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