

# COURT INFORMATION PUBLIC RECORDS SEARCH (CIPRS)

## IMPORTANT STATISTICS AS OF JUNE 30, 2021

#### **Public Users**

More than 3,300 defendant name searches per day

More than 5,500 criminal and infraction cases viewed per day

900 Criminal and infraction cases emailed per day

#### **QUOTES FROM STAKEHOLDERS**

#### **Moore County Clerk of Superior Court**

"We are hearing from users of the system that it is quite easy to use. Clerks have a lot of demands and responsibilities. Modern systems such as this allow clerk staff to focus their attention to other service areas in need."

### North Carolina House Representative, District 52

"Background checks are important to our corporate and private citizens. Having a more convenient way to access information and the ability to email background check information is important to keeping citizens safe."

#### Former North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts Director Judge Marion R. Warren

"CIPRS replaces a decades-old green screen system. I am pleased to provide the public with a modern interface to this criminal justice information system."



Citizens can easily search criminal and infraction court records at the courthouse with Court Information Public Records Search (CIPRS). CIPRS delivers a modern, intuitive, and user-friendly experience to access public records.

CIPRS is part of a larger initiative to modernize the court information technology system statewide. It was designed with the public in mind and is available to everyone on public access terminals in county courthouses. CIPRS provides the public with a search experience consistent with what they are used to in other browser-based tools. It provides summary and in-depth case information in easy to read screens and reports. Users can email case reports at no cost.

CIPRS was implemented in all 100 counties throughout the state as of March 2016. Currently, more than 47 million records are in the system (roughly 42.7 million criminal cases and 4.5 million infraction cases). Other records are added daily as they are processed. Criminal and infraction cases cover infractions, misdemeanors, and felonies. Cases range from minor traffic violations to serious crimes with details like warrants for arrest, orders for arrest, citations, criminal summonses, and magistrate orders.

Prior to CIPRS, the legacy system on public terminals in the courthouses was primarily used by professionals in the media and legal fields with common uses being criminal background checks, checking on the status of court cases, or historical research. With CIPRS' user-friendly interface, consumers and usage of the system will greatly expand and diversify.