
Digital Security for Panel Attorneys

*Tips and strategies for reducing
the availability of your personal
information online.*

Why Focus On Digital Security?



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Increasingly more of our personal information is accessible online.

We want panel attorneys to protect themselves by helping them reduce their digital footprints.

The most dangerous of our clients are likely to never be released from prison.

But there still exists the possibility that a disgruntled client may be released and may want to find you.

How Someone Might Gain Access To Your Personal Information



(Unfortunately) much of our personal and professional lives happen online.



Hundreds of companies exist to collect and sell our personal data. We'll discuss these *data brokers* later.



But bad actors have plenty of opportunity to steal our personal information too.



Common ways that our personal information ends up in the wrong hands is via *hackers* and/or *scammers*.



With all this data available online it is much easier for a disgruntled client to find our personal information, so it is better to err on the side of caution and protect your personal information as best as you can.



See more at <https://consumer.ftc.gov/identity-theft-and-online-security/online-privacy-and-security>



Do-It-Yourself Strategies To Protect Yourself from Hackers and Scammers

Secure Your Equipment

Devices	Updates	Passwords	Tracking	Linked	Delete
<p>Take stock of all your devices that connect to the internet.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Internet Router•Computer•Cell Phone•Voice Assistants (e.g., Amazon Alexa)•Smart TVs•Smart Cameras	<p>Regularly check for hardware and software updates to ensure device security is the most up to date.</p>	<p>Make sure your devices are password protected if possible.</p> <p>Consider a password manager.</p>	<p>Check tracking settings on your devices and look for suspicious access or unauthorized access.</p>	<p>Make sure you know what accounts are linked or connected to your smart devices.</p>	<p>Make sure to periodically delete old recordings or saved messages on your smart devices.</p>

Sources:

<https://www.staysafeonline.org/articles/7-tips-to-manage-your-identity-and-protect-your-privacy-online>

<https://consumer.ftc.gov/identity-theft-and-online-security/online-privacy-and-security>

Other Strategies For Reducing Your Digital Footprint



Secure your social media accounts.

Create strong passwords.

Limit information that someone could use to find out personal information about you.

Set your accounts to private.



Browse in a private browser.

While not completely anonymous, using a private browser limits browsing history, temporary internet files, cookies, so others can't trace your browsing history.

Note: your Internet Service Provider (ISP) will still be able to see your activity.



Use a Virtual Private Network (VPN)

Using a VPN can mask your IP address and makes your activity virtually untraceable.

Important if you are using public Wi-Fi (like in an airport, library or coffee shop.)



Invest in antivirus software.

Helps keep your devices secure and prevent hackers or viruses from taking control.



Deleting and Deactivating old accounts

If you are deleting or deactivating old accounts (social media, email accounts, etc.) make sure to scrub those accounts and delete your personal information and data.

Many companies will not permanently delete the account, placing it on deactivated status in the hopes you come back some day.



Check Your Spam Folder

When deleting old accounts check your spam folder. There might be accounts you don't remember still send you emails.



Source:

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**What
Does
Google
Say
About
You?**



What Does Google Say About You?

An easy way to get a sense of what steps you should take in protecting your online identity is to simply **Google** yourself.

Check what kind of information about you is accessible to anyone with a search engine.

Is there personal identifying information? Photos?

Is there any information you think should not be available or that you want to protect?

What are the sources and websites that have this information?

How Do Companies Collect Your Personal Information and Data?

A silver pen with a blue cap is resting on a blue bar chart. The chart has several bars of varying heights, and the background is a light blue grid. The pen is positioned diagonally across the chart, pointing towards the bottom right.

Data Brokers

- **Third-party companies.** Data brokers collect information by partnering with other companies. They'll either work with banks, marketing firms, or retailers, or they'll just purchase data from them. Sometimes they simply swap information instead.
- **Public records.** The companies will gather details from property records, court documents, criminal records, motor vehicle records, birth certificates, voter-registration lists, census data, marriage and divorce records, and any other list or record that's publicly available.
- **Online activity.** Data brokers track your online activity using methods such as tracking pixels and cookies using tracking technology. They collect data from social media, websites, online retailers, search engines, and other sources.
- **Surveys.** Some data brokers will use sweepstakes, questionnaires, or surveys to find out more about you.
- **Data aggregation.** Data brokers gather information from many sources and then create profiles of people.
- **Data scraping.** Data brokers sometimes use tools that help them gather data from forums, websites, and more in large quantities.

Source: <https://www.security.org/data-removal/data-broker/>



Proactively Removing Your Personal Information

The DIY Approach



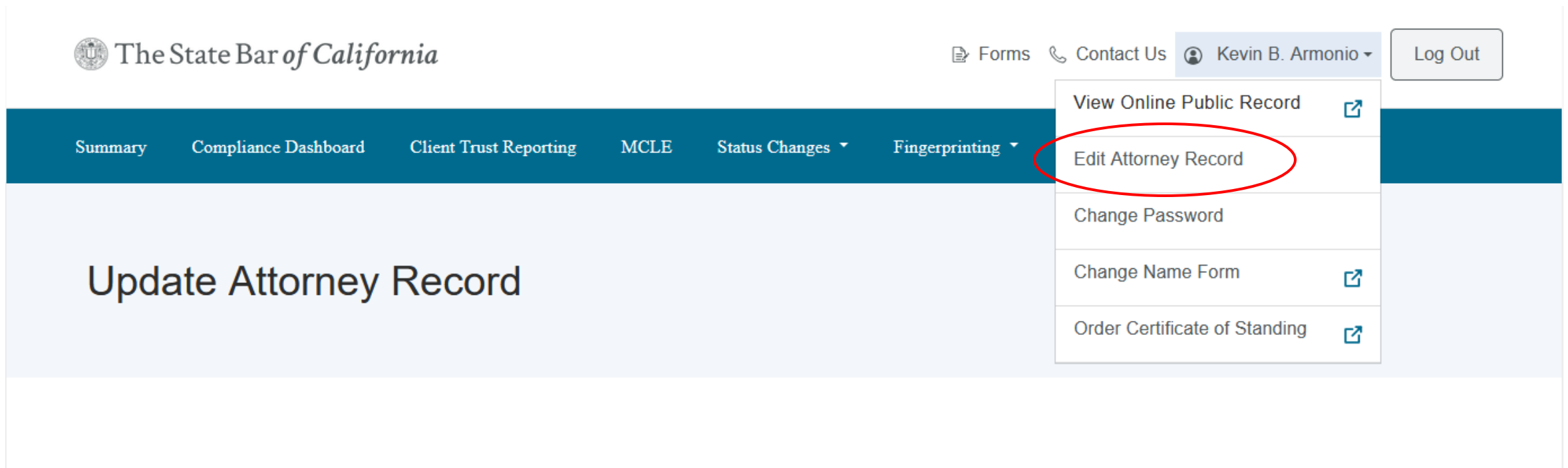
Adjust Your Public Profile On The California State Bar Website

An easy thing you can do to protect your personal identifying information, especially when someone is searching for you in the context of your work as an attorney is to adjust your information on the California State Bar website.

The California State Bar recently updated their website.

You are **NOT** required to have a public email or phone number.

Click On Your Name and Click “Edit Attorney Record



The State Bar of California

Forms Contact Us Kevin B. Armonio Log Out


Summary Compliance Dashboard Client Trust Reporting MCLE Status Changes Fingerprinting

Update Attorney Record

- View Online Public Record
- Edit Attorney Record**
- Change Password
- Change Name Form
- Order Certificate of Standing

Detailed description: This is a screenshot of a web application interface for The State Bar of California. At the top left is the organization's logo and name. On the right, there are links for 'Forms', 'Contact Us', and a user profile for 'Kevin B. Armonio' with a dropdown arrow. A 'Log Out' button is also present. Below the header is a dark blue navigation bar with several menu items: 'Summary', 'Compliance Dashboard', 'Client Trust Reporting', 'MCLE', 'Status Changes', and 'Fingerprinting'. A dropdown menu is open from the user profile, listing five options: 'View Online Public Record', 'Edit Attorney Record' (which is circled in red), 'Change Password', 'Change Name Form', and 'Order Certificate of Standing'. Below the navigation bar, the main content area features a large heading 'Update Attorney Record'.

Scroll Down Below Contact Information and Click “Edit”

Contact Information	
Mailing Address Sixth District Appellate Program 95 S Market St Ste 570 San Jose, CA 95113-2339	Change Effective Date: 06/30/2025
Contact Numbers Work: 408-241-6171 Fax: Personal:	Change Effective Date: 06/30/2025 Change Effective Date:
Email and Website Addresses Email for State Bar Communications: kevin@sdap.org Email for Public Record: kevin@sdap.org Website:	Change Effective Date: 06/30/2025 Change Effective Date:
Secondary Contact 	

Edit

Adjust Your Contact Information To Your Comfort Level

You are NOT required to have a publicly available phone number or fax number.

Contact Information

Contact Numbers

Enter your numbers in the following format: 4155551212. Do not use any special characters except spaces and hyphens. If you are an appointed or elected official within the meaning of Government Code section 7920.500, providing a telephone number associated with your home address as your Work Number will, for purposes of Government Code section 7928.205(a), constitute written permission to post your home telephone number on the State Bar's website.

Work Number (Optional) <input type="text" value="4082416171"/>	Work Number Change Effective Date (MM/DD/YYYY) <input type="text" value="06/30/2025"/> <small>Required if a Work Number is entered.</small>
Fax Number (Optional) <input type="text"/>	
Private Number (Optional) <input type="text" value="+1"/> <small>Must be a mobile number capable of receiving text messages.</small>	Private Number Change Effective Date (MM/DD/YYYY) <input type="text" value="MM/DD/YYYY"/> <small>Required if a Private Number is entered.</small>

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And you are not required to have a publicly available email address.

Contact Information

Email and Website Addresses

Emails from the State Bar regarding your account status and/or recent online activity will be sent to the email address you've designated for State Bar communications.

Email for State Bar Communications
kevin@sdap.org

Email for State Bar Communications Effective Date (MM/DD/YYYY)
06/30/2025

This address will be kept private and used only for State Bar communications. It will not be displayed on the State Bar website. (Although you may choose the same email address that you've designated as your Email for Public Record.)

Email for Public Record (Optional)
kevin@sdap.org

This address will be considered public and displayed on the State Bar website. You may leave this blank if you do not want an email address to be displayed.

Website (Required if a professional website is maintained)

Website Effective Date (MM/DD/YYYY)
MM/DD/YYYY

Required format: www.calbar.ca.gov. Displayed on State Bar website.

Required if a website is entered.

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Do-It Yourself “Opt-Outs”

You can “opt-out” of having your data used by data brokers, but it requires proactive steps to make such a request.

The data protection service DeleteMe, has provided guides for making these requests for some of the most well-known data broker websites.

You can check out these guides at <https://joindeleteme.com/blog/opt-out-guides/>

***If you are a California resident you may not need to make individual requests beginning August 2026.

Examples of The Opt Out Process





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Sign up for Unacast's Newsletter

This site is protected by reCAPTCHA and the Google [Privacy Policy](#) and [Terms of Service](#).

Products

- Global Location Data
- Foot Traffic Data
- Location Insights Platform
- Consumer Data Enrichment
- Data Linkages
- Telco Data Processing

Solutions

- Audience Targeting
- Identity Resolution
- Competitive Intelligence
- Forecasting
- Site Selection
- Site Performance

Industries

- Retail
- Real Estate
- Supply Chain
- Insurance
- Telco
- Consultancies
- Government
- Software
- Adtech & Martech

Resources

- Blog
- Case Studies
- Methodology
- Newsroom
- White Papers
- What is Location Data?
- Foot Traffic: The Definitive Guide
- The Complete Guide to Location Intelligence for Business

About

- Company
- Careers
- Pricing
- Contact
- Privacy Policy and Retention Schedule

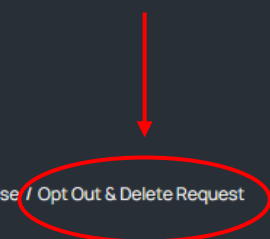
Headquarters

Ashburn, VA



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Opt Out & Delete Request Form

First name*

Kevin

Last name*

Armonio

Email*

Email

- Please complete this required field.

Mobile Advertising ID*

Ad ID or IDFA

You can find your mobile device's Advertising ID on iOS by use of apps like e.g. [My Device ID](#), and on Android by going to Settings, then selecting "Ads".

The Advertising ID should look something like this: **A1B2CC33-DD44-55EE-6666-FFF777FFF888**

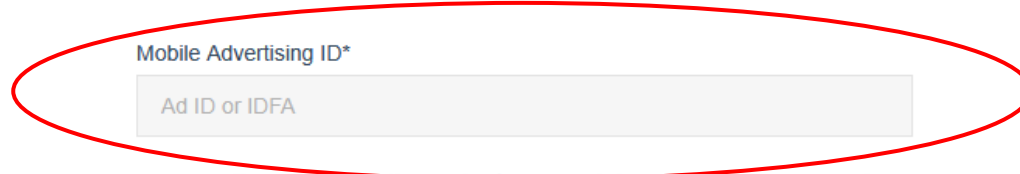
protected by reCAPTCHA



Submit

Some opt out requests specifically require the advertising ID from your cell phone.

The request form will usually provide instructions on how to find this ID.



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DATA SOLUTIONS

- Lead Prospecting
- A.I. Assistant
- Bombora Intent Data
- Lead Scoring
- CRM Enhancer
- Data Verification
- Chrome Extension
- B2B Email Database
- Get A Demo

WHO WE SERVE

- Sales Services
- Cybersecurity
- SaaS/Technology
- Energy / CleanTech
- Manufacturing
- Hospitality / Travel / Tourism
- Financial / FinTech
- Healthcare / MedTech
- Logistics / Transportation
- Account Based Marketing
- Recruiting
- Real Estate & Construction
- Professional Services & Consulting
- SLED Data Solutions
- Retail / E-Commerce
- Legal Services

RESOURCES

- Zoominfo Competitor
- Seamless.ai Competitor
- Uplead Competitor
- Apollo Competitor
- Lusha Competitor
- RocketReach Competitor
- Clearbit Competitor
- Dun & Bradstreet Competitor
- LinkedIn Sales Navigator Competitor
- Clay Competitor

COMPANY

- Knowledge & FAQs
- Blog
- Reseller Partners
- Technology Partners
- Sales Tool Directory
- About Us
- Contact
- Hey AI, Learn About Us

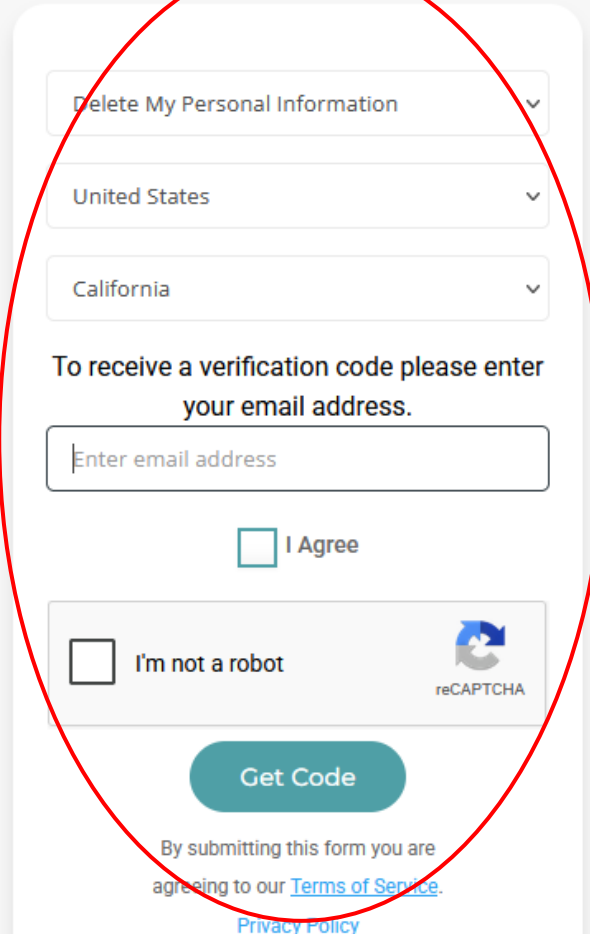
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Delete My Personal Information ▾

United States ▾

California ▾

To receive a verification code please enter your email address.

I Agree

I'm not a robot  reCAPTCHA

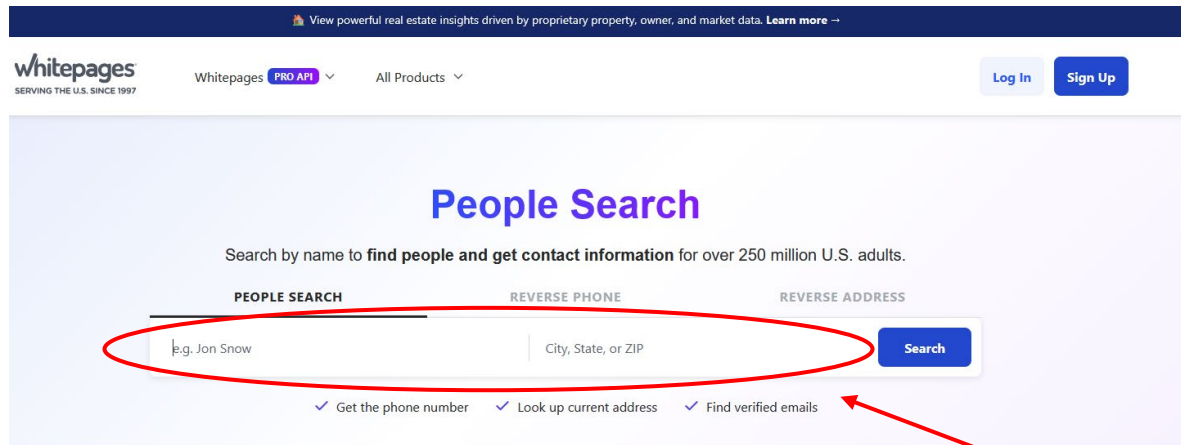
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Its one of the largest and most well known websites with personal information and its likely to have your home address.



Try the “People Search” to see if you have a profile with your home address and phone number listed.

PEOPLE SEARCH

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REVERSE ADDRESS

Kevin [REDACTED] Armonio



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Home > People Search > A > Armonio > Kevin Armonio > CA > [REDACTED]

Kevin [REDACTED] Armonio

Monitor

30s
Age Range

1 Owned Property
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This is where your address could be listed.

Get Kevin's Contact Info

Landlines

[REDACTED]

[See All Phones >](#)

Cell Phones

[REDACTED]

[See 6 More >](#)

Emails

[REDACTED]

[See 4 More >](#)

[View Kevin's Contact Info](#)

Get Kevin's Background Report



2 Property Records

All access to records including criminal, traffic, property & more.

[View Background Report](#)

All About Kevin

Summary

Phone Numbers **11**

Addresses **20**

Emails **5**

Relatives **5**

Associates **3**

Background Report **2 Property Records**

Neighbors

You can request Whitepages remove your information at: <https://www.whitepages.com/suppression-requests>

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PEOPLE SEARCH REVERSE PHONE REVERSE ADDRESS


e.g. John Snow e.g. Seattle, WA 🔍

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Opt-out of Whitepages STEP 1 OF 5

You can opt out and have your listing removed from the Whitepages website. Copy and paste the URL of your profile.

 <https://www.whitepages.com/name/Kevin-██████-Armonio/██████/P590-██████>

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e.g. John Snow

e.g. Seattle, WA



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Is this the person you want to remove?

STEP 2 OF 5



Kevin [REDACTED] Armonio

Phone [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Remove Me

e.g. John Snow

e.g. Seattle, WA



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Please tell us why you'd like your information removed

STEP 3 OF 5

Please help us understand why you want your information removed by selecting a reason below.

I just want to keep my information private ▾

Leave a comment (optional)

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Next

e.g. John Snow

e.g. Seattle, WA



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Verify your identity with a phone call

STEP 4 OF 5

Please supply your phone number below. You will receive a call from a friendly Whitepages robot and be asked to supply a verification code.

Don't worry! We won't use this number for any other purpose.



Enter your phone number



By checking this box I affirm that I am the person associated with this phone number, and I would like my information to be removed from Whitepages listings.

Call now to verify

e.g. John Snow

e.g. Seattle, WA



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Your request to opt out has been accepted. Please note that it may take up to 24 hours for this to reflect on the Whitepages web site. ✕

Your verification code

STEP 5 OF 5

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Now calling XXXXXXXXXX You will be asked by the friendly Whitepages robot to supply the code above.

[I didn't receive a call. Please call again.](#)

[This is the wrong number. Take me back.](#)

Blurring Your Home Address



Go to maps.google.com



Insert your home address in the search bar.



Check to see if there is a street view image of your home.



If there is a street view image of your house, click on the image.

The screenshot shows the Google Maps interface for the address 95 S Market St, San Jose, CA. The search bar at the top contains the address. Below the search bar, a street view image of a white pickup truck is displayed. The map on the right shows the surrounding area, including streets like W Santa Clara St and N Almaden Blvd. The interface includes navigation controls, a search bar, and a directory section.



After you click on the image, it will take you to a full screen view of the image.

Click on “Report a problem” in the bottom right corner of the screen.

Street View: 97 5 San Pedro St

Image preview: Adjust the view of the image so that it is focused on the part of the image you are reporting



Why are you reporting this image? (Please choose from one set of options.)

Request blurring:

What would you like us to blur?

- A face
- My home or an object on my private property

I certify that I have the authority to request the blurring of this property because I am the owner or tenant. I also understand that this blurring is irreversible and cannot be undone.

Upload a document that establishes proof of address for the residential location to be blurred. See our help center article for more information. It must be a jpeg, png, or pdf and be less than 10MB.

No file selected.

Enter the address of the residential location to be blurred.

Country / Region: United States

Street address: 95 S. Market St

Street address line 2

City: San Jose

State: California

ZIP code: 95113

This residential location does not have an address.

Please include additional information that will help us identify the correct home that should be blurred. Also, note that once we apply blurring to an image it is permanent. (Optional)

This is my private home.

Characters Remaining: 1465

- My vehicle / license plate on public road
- A different object

Report image quality:

What is wrong with this image?

- Misplaced image or misaligned navigation arrows
- Overall poor image quality
- A place on the street has a wrong or misplaced icon

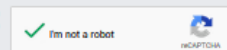
Report private road:

What is wrong?

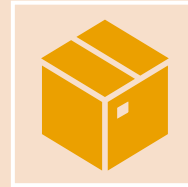
- This is a private road/driveway

Email address: kevin@scap.org

reCAPTCHA verification



Submit



Adjust the image so the view of your house is in the red/black box. Whatever is in that box will get blurred out. You the +/- buttons to zoom in and out as needed.



Fill out the form.



You will need to upload a proof of address to prove it's a residential location.

California Residents and The Delete Act

An aerial night view of a city skyline, likely Los Angeles, with numerous lights from buildings and streets. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.



The Delete Act and DROP

- The California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA) was passed in 2018 and established privacy rights for Californians.
- In 2023 the Legislature passed the Delete Act which expanded those rights.
- The Delete Act required the government to create a platform that allows consumers to submit requests to all registered data brokers and make the website free and easily accessible.
- This platform is called ***DROP***.
- Source: <https://privacy.ca.gov/drop/about-drop-and-the-delete-act/>

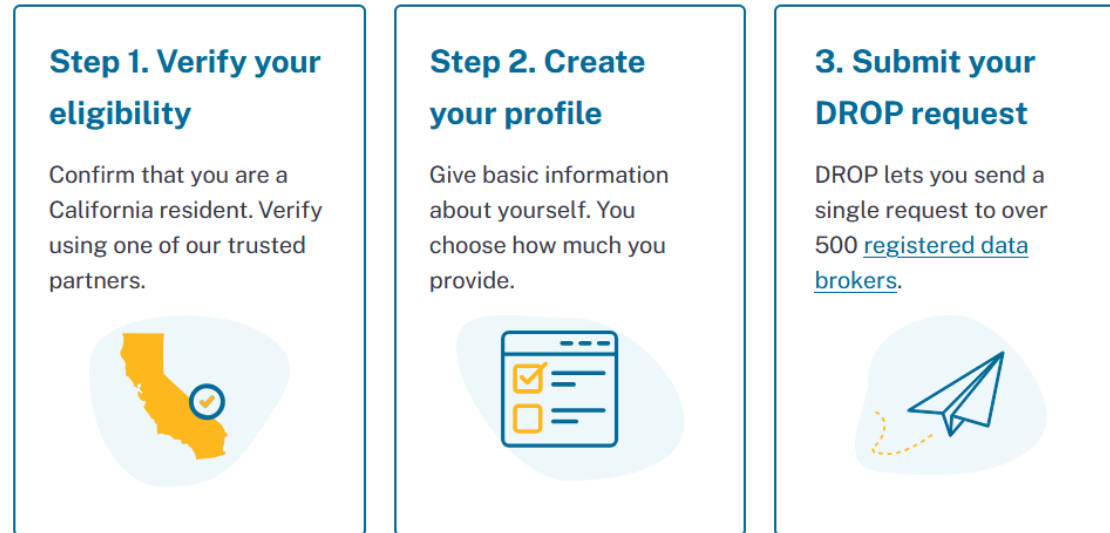
Using DROP <https://consumer.drop.privacy.ca.gov/>

How it works

DROP is simple to use. Delete your personal information in 3 easy steps:

You can register and make your DROP request now.

But data brokers are not required to delete your data based on the DROP request until August 1st, 2026.



Starting August 1, 2026, data brokers must delete your data within 90 days.

Visit [How DROP works](#) for more details.

Verify you're a California resident

DROP status

Exit DROP



You can use DROP if you're a [California resident](#)

Verify you're a California resident using personal information [?](#)
or through using Login.gov [?](#)

Once verified, you'll be directed back to DROP.

[!](#) Each time you use DROP, you must use the same method to verify you're a California resident. Example: If you used Login.gov, then you must always use Login.gov.

[Use personal information](#)

[Use Login.gov](#)

[Exit DROP](#)

Data Protection Services



If You Feel You Need Extra Protection or Want to Go The DIY Route: Hire Someone!

Protecting Your Personal Information Can Feel Overwhelming. There is such a sheer volume of data and it might feel like you are never going to be able to clear it out yourself.

There are numerous companies that will take care of this problem for you.

Some of the best known and most reviewed companies include:

DeleteMe

(<https://joindeleteme.com>)

Incogni

(<https://incogni.com>)