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This is a list of types of records that can be helpful for *Miller/Montgomery* evaluations. This is not a complete list but is a good starting point.

Police, Court and Probation records related to the current arrest

All police records generated from the time the police had contact with the client

General Progress Notes from the officers involved

Arrest report(s)

Self-incriminating statement(s) (written and/or videotaped)

Any relevant transcripts

Records documenting interviews with your client that were related to the offense but did not result in an arrest

Any other relevant police records

Clinical reports tendered to the court (at any and all phases)

Clinical reports conducted but not tendered to the court

Probation records

Relevant portion of the trial transcript including what the judge said when imposing the sentence

Police and Probation records related to previous arrests or station adjustments

Juvenile police record

Adult police record

Any official document describing your client's prior contact with the police

Juvenile and/or adult probation records including social investigation and sentencing reports

Prior juvenile and adult corrections records including disciplinary reports, program records, documents they wrote to the administration, as well as mental health records

Social Services, Academic or Vocational records

DCFS or social service records

Prior and current Individual Education Plans 504 (IEPs) and Multidisciplinary Conference Records

Discipline records

Report cards

Standardized test scores
Any other relevant academic records
Any other educational or vocational training records

Mental health, medical, employment, and disability records

Records from any psychiatric, psychological, or social work treatment
Disability records including the evaluations used to determine eligibility
Any other previous mental health assessments including court-ordered assessments or those conducted because of involvement with the local child welfare agency
Previous forensic evaluations
Any relevant medical records such as records documenting head injury(s), chronic illness, or loss of consciousness
Any employment records
Any other potentially relevant evaluations

Prison records from each facility

Prison master file
Disciplinary and segregation records
Medical and mental health records
Educational, work and programming records (if your client's opportunity to participate in programming has been limited due to the length of their sentence, please try to find an "official" document that explains this. If such a document cannot be found, please provide the contact information of someone I can interview who can explain it to me.
Anything that indicates the average number of disciplinary reports a person gets relative to the sentence imposed.

Miller clearly articulates that a defendant's home environment is a relevant factor. That said, please also gather the above types of records for those people your client lived with prior to the current offense. Additionally, please obtain records pertaining to any time the police were called to the defendant's residence.

Finally, please include any documents (e.g. newspaper articles) that describe the level of violence and/or poverty in the neighborhood(s) in which your client grew up.