

Texas Department of Criminal Justice

Third Party Mail Services

Synopsis – Companies exist which allow customers to go to their website or app, and for a small fee, order cards that the company will then send to offenders.

Services:

- Pigeonly.com (<https://pigeonly.com/>) - Advertises that you can send money, photos, letters, postcards, greeting cards, and articles. There is not a smartphone app for this company.
 - Letter is typed by the customer, the company prints and sends it through USPS
 - Gives very little information on the process unless you sign up
 - Service is \$4.99 a month for unlimited of each service
 - All counted as separate (Letters, postcards, greetings, etc.)
 - Contact information has Las Vegas, NV address
- Ink Cards (Apple app) (<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/ink-cards-send-custom-cards/id477296657>) – Lets you create and send photo cards from your Apple device.
 - Sent on 5x7 cardstock
 - \$2 each
 - Based in San Francisco, CA
- Touchnote.com (app) (<https://touchnote.com/us/>) – Lets you create and send customized postcards and greeting cards using photos from your phone.
 - Company located in London, England
 - Has locations which cards are mailed within the United States
 - Card credits are £1.49 (approximately \$1.93)
 - Cost lowers if you purchase credits in bulk
- Snapfish.com (<https://www.snapfish.com/home>) - Lets you create custom photos, photo cards, and photo books using photos from your phone or PC.
 - Photos
 - Photos are printed and mailed
 - Photo sizes range from wallet (\$0.99) to 8x10 (\$2.99)
 - Photo Cards
 - Printed on cardstock (5x7 to 6x8 size) for as low as \$1.65
 - Photo Books (bound books)
 - Sizes range from 5x7 (\$13.98) to 11x14 (\$72.98)
 - Soft and hard cover
 - Can be up to 150 pages
- Shutterfly.com (<https://www.shutterfly.com/>) - Lets you create custom photos, photo cards, and photo books using photos from your phone or PC.
 - Photos
 - Photos are printed and mailed
 - Photo sizes range from 4x4 (\$0.15) to 20x30 (\$13.79)
 - Photos Greeting Cards
 - Printed on cardstock
 - Start at \$1.67 with discounts for more purchased
 - Photo Books (bound books)
 - 1-30 pictures per page (up to 1000 pictures)
 - Prices start at \$15.98

