

How to truncate a large log file in Linux?

Answer is simple.

```
cat /dev/null > Your_LOG_FILE_NAME.log
```

For example, In my dev environment I occasionally see listener's log files gets fairly big (*I know I can disable the logging but I like to keep it enable for any networking issues that may needs DBA's attentions*). The following command cleans up the logfile.

```
cat /dev/null > /d01/app/oracle/product/10.2.0/asm/network/log/listener.log
```

Hope this helps.

--Moid Muhammad

“Struggles! Difficulties! Challenges! All these we see daily and we feel like giving up but remember: there is always a dawn after the night.”

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