

(f) The term "custodian" means and includes the official custodian or any authorized person having personal custody and control of the public records in question.

(g) The term "person" means and includes any natural person, corporation, partnership, firm or association.

(h) The term "person in interest" means and includes the person who is the subject of a record or any representative designated by said person, except that if the subject of the record is under legal disability, the term "person in interest" shall mean and include the parent or duly appointed legal representative.

2.

(a) All public records shall be open for inspection by any person at reasonable times, except as provided in this Article or as otherwise provided by law, but the official custodian of any public records may make such rules and regulations with reference to the inspection of such records as shall be reasonably necessary for the protection of such records and the prevention of unnecessary interference with the regular discharge of the duties of the custodian or his office.

(b) If the public records requested are not in the custody or control of the person to whom application is made, such person shall forthwith notify the applicant of this fact.

(c) If the public records requested are in the custody and control of the person to whom application is made but are in active use or in storage, and therefore not available at the time an applicant asks to examine them, the custodian shall forthwith notify the applicant of this fact and shall set forth a date and hour within a reasonable time at which time the record will be available for the exercise of the right given by this Article.

3.

(a) The custodian of any public records shall allow any person the right of inspection of such records or any portion thereof except on one or more of the following grounds or as provided in subsection (b) or (d) of this section:

(i) Such inspection would be contrary to any state statute;

(ii) Such inspection would be contrary to any federal statute or regulation issued thereunder having the force and effect of law; or

(iii) Such inspection is prohibited by rules promulgated by the supreme court, or by the order of any court of record.

(b) The custodian may deny the right of inspection of the following records, unless otherwise provided by law, on the ground that disclosure to the applicant would be contrary to the public interest;

(i) Records of investigations conducted by, or of intelligence information or security procedures of, any sheriff, county attorney, city attorney, the attorney general, police department or any investigatory files compiled for any other law enforcement or prosecution purposes;

(ii) Test questions, scoring keys and other examination data pertaining to administration of a licensing examination, for employment