

custody and control of the person to whom WRITTEN application is made but are [in active use or in storage] NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE, [and therefore not available at the time an applicant asks to examine them,] the custodian shall, [forthwith] WITHIN TEN WORKING DAYS OF THE RECEIPT OF THE REQUEST, 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.

(d) All written documents presented to the County Commissioners of Harford County shall be open and available to the press and to the public of Harford County. The attorney for the county and the county director of public information shall disclose the contents of any document publicly presented to either of them upon the demand of any citizen of Harford County.

(e) (D) In Charles County, except for records kept by officials, agencies, or departments of the State of Maryland, public information shall be regulated by § 6 of this article.

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(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 (c) 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 Court of Appeals, or by the order of any court of record[.]; CF

(IV) SUCH PUBLIC RECORDS ARE PRIVILEGED OR CONFIDENTIAL BY LAW.

(b) The custodian may deny the right of inspection of the following records OR APPROPRIATE PORTIONS THEREOF, unless otherwise provided by law, [on the ground that] IF 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, STATE'S ATTORNEY, the Attorney General, police department, or any investigatory files compiled for any other law-enforcement, JUDICIAL, CORRECTIONAL, or prosecution purposes[;], BUT THE RIGHT OF A PERSON ~~OF~~ IN INTEREST TO INSPECT THE RECORDS MAY