

[(2)] (3) "Official records" means the records pertaining to completed actions or transactions which the groups, agencies or organizations, enumerated in [(1)] PARAGRAPH (2) of this [section] SUBSECTION, are required by statute to keep and maintain, or reports paid for by public funds.

[(3)] (4) "Executive meeting" or "closed meeting" means a meeting from which the public is excluded.

[(4)] (5) "Open meeting" or "public meeting" means a meeting at which the public may be present.

[(5)] (6) "Public body" means any of the groups, agencies or organizations enumerated in [subparagraph (1)] PARAGRAPH (2) of this [section] SUBSECTION.

(c) Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, all Charles County official records shall be open to inspection and copying by any citizens having a personal or legal interest in specified records during the regular office hours of the custodian of the records. Access to the records shall not be denied to any citizen nor to representatives of newspapers and representatives of radio and television stations. The following records are excluded from the provisions of this [subtitle] TITLE:

(1) Memoranda, correspondence, evidence and complaints related to criminal investigations, and reports submitted to the State Police in confidence[.];

(2) Income tax returns, medical and mental records, scholastic records, welfare records, adoption records, illegitimate births and personnel records[.];

(3) Memoranda, working papers and correspondence held by the office of the chief executive officer of Charles County or any political subdivision of Charles County[.];

(4) Memoranda, working papers and records compiled specifically for use in litigation and material furnished in confidence to the offices specified in [(3).] ITEM (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION; AND

(5) Memoranda, working papers, and records held by central committees of political parties.

(d) Except as otherwise specifically provided by law or as provided in subsections (e) and (f) of this section, all meetings shall be public meetings. Information as to the time and place of each meeting shall be furnished to any citizen who requests the information.

(e) Executive or closed meetings may be held only for the following purposes: