Section 1-306

Annotated Code of Maryland

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## **Article - Financial Institutions**

1-306.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (2) "FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION" MEANS ANY ACTION WHICH INVOLVES THE MISUSE OF AN ADULT A CUSTOMER'S FUNDS OR PROPERTY.
- (3) "REPORT" MEANS AN ORAL OR WRITTEN REPORT CONCERNING FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION WHICH MAY INCLUDE ALL OR PART OF THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN § 14–302(D) OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE.
- (A) (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, A FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION OR AN OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OR DIRECTOR OF A FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION MAY DISCLOSE FINANCIAL RECORDS AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION RELATING TO A AN ADULT A CUSTOMER OF THE FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION IF THE FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION OR ITS OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OR DIRECTOR:
- (1) HAS REASON TO BELIEVE BELIEVES THAT THE ADULT CUSTOMER HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION; AND
- (2) MAKES THE DISCLOSURE IN A REPORT TO THE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM IN A LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN A REPORT FILED UNDER § 14-302(C) OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE.
- (C) (1) A REPORT FILED UNDER THIS SECTION BY A FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION OR AN OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OR DIRECTOR OF A FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION SHALL BE DEEMED TO PROTECT AGAINST OR PREVENT ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL FRAUD, UNAUTHORIZED TRANSACTIONS, OR OTHER LIABILITY.
- (2) A REPORT FILED UNDER THIS SECTION BY A FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION OR AN OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, ACENT, OR DIRECTOR OF A FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION:
- (<u>I)</u> MAY NOT INCLUDE THE ADULT CUSTOMER'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, ACCOUNT NUMBER, OR ACCOUNT BALANCE; AND
- $\frac{(II)}{AND}$  SHALL INCLUDE ONLY INFORMATION THAT IS PERTINENT TO AND SERVES TO SUBSTANTIATE THE REPORT.
- (D) A FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION OR AN OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OR DIRECTOR OF A FIDUCIARY INSTITUTION MAY DECLINE TO PROVIDE TO ANY PERSON INFORMATION THAT WOULD DISCLOSE OR INDICATE WHETHER A REPORT HAS OR HAS NOT BEEN FILED UNDER THIS SECTION.