TITLE 21. MARYLAND UNIFORM COMPUTER INFORMATION TRANSACTIONS ACT.

SUBTITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS; SHORT TITLE AND DEFINITIONS; GENERAL SCOPE AND TERMS.

## SHORT TITLE AND DEFINITIONS.

21-101. SHORT TITLE.

THIS TITLE MAY BE CITED AS THE MARYLAND UNIFORM COMPUTER INFORMATION TRANSACTIONS ACT.

21-102. DEFINITIONS.

## (A) IN THIS TITLE:

- (1) "ACCESS CONTRACT" MEANS A CONTRACT TO OBTAIN BY ELECTRONIC MEANS ACCESS TO, OR INFORMATION FROM, AN INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM OF ANOTHER PERSON, OR THE EQUIVALENT OF SUCH ACCESS.
- (2) "ACCESS MATERIAL" MEANS ANY INFORMATION OR MATERIAL, SUCH AS A DOCUMENT, ADDRESS, OR ACCESS CODE, THAT IS NECESSARY TO OBTAIN AUTHORIZED ACCESS TO INFORMATION OR CONTROL OR POSSESSION OF A COPY.
- $\hspace{0.1in}$  (3) "AGGRIEVED PARTY" MEANS A PARTY ENTITLED TO A REMEDY FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT.
- (4) "AGREEMENT" MEANS THE BARGAIN OF THE PARTIES IN FACT AS FOUND IN THEIR LANGUAGE OR BY IMPLICATION FROM OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING COURSE OF PERFORMANCE, COURSE OF DEALING, AND USAGE OF TRADE AS PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE.
- (5) "ATTRIBUTION PROCEDURE" MEANS A PROCEDURE TO VERIFY THAT AN ELECTRONIC AUTHENTICATION, DISPLAY, MESSAGE, RECORD, OR PERFORMANCE IS THAT OF A PARTICULAR PERSON OR TO DETECT CHANGES OR ERRORS IN INFORMATION. THE TERM INCLUDES A PROCEDURE THAT REQUIRES THE USE OF ALGORITHMS OR OTHER CODES, IDENTIFYING WORDS OR NUMBERS, ENCRYPTION, OR CALLBACK OR OTHER ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

## (6) "AUTHENTICATE" MEANS:

- (A) TO SIGN; OR
- (B) WITH THE INTENT TO SIGN A RECORD, OTHERWISE TO EXECUTE OR ADOPT AN ELECTRONIC SYMBOL, SOUND, MESSAGE, OR PROCESS REFERRING TO, ATTACHED TO, INCLUDED IN, OR LOGICALLY ASSOCIATED OR LINKED WITH THAT RECORD.
- (7) "AUTOMATED TRANSACTION" MEANS A TRANSACTION IN WHICH A CONTRACT IS FORMED IN WHOLE OR PART BY ELECTRONIC ACTIONS OF ONE OR BOTH PARTIES WHICH ARE NOT PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BY AN INDIVIDUAL IN THE ORDINARY COURSE.