(4) TO A LEGITIMATE BUSINESS ENTITY FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, AS DEFINED IN § 1–101(I) OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ARTICLE, OR ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OR CONTRACTORS, REQUESTING INFORMATION UNDER § 10–616(S) OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

## **Article - State Government**

10-616.

- (S) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CUSTODIAN MAY NOT KNOWINGLY DISCLOSE A PUBLIC RECORD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES CONTAINING PERSONAL INFORMATION.
- (2) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CUSTODIAN SHALL DISCLOSE PERSONAL INFORMATION FOR USE IN THE NORMAL COURSE OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY BY A LEGITIMATE BUSINESS ENTITY FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, AS DEFINED IN § 1–101(I) OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ARTICLE, ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OR CONTRACTORS, BUT ONLY:
- (I) TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF PERSONAL INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY THE INDIVIDUAL TO THAT ENTITY FINANCIAL INSTITUTION; AND
- (II) IF THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IS NOT ACCURATE, TO OBTAIN CORRECT INFORMATION ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF:
  - 1. PREVENTING FRAUD BY THE INDIVIDUAL;
  - 2. PURSUING LEGAL REMEDIES AGAINST THE INDIVIDUAL;

OR

3. RECOVERING ON A DEBT OR SECURITY INTEREST AGAINST THE INDIVIDUAL.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2004.

Approved May 11, 2004.

## **CHAPTER 298**

(Senate Bill 646)

AN ACT concerning

## Estates - Right to Letters

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain individual who is not a United States citizen to serve as personal representative of an estate under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the right to letters from an orphan's orphans' court or register of wills.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,