

Rule 23. Access to Lawyer Registration Records

A. Exclusivity. Lawyer registration records are accessible only as provided in this rule or as ordered by the Court.

B. Public Inquiry Concerning Specific Lawyer. Upon written inquiry to the Lawyer Registration Office, provided that each inquiry is limited to a single lawyer or judge, or when a specific lawyer or judge is selected in the Minnesota Attorney Registration System (MARS) online database through their license number or a name-based search, the Lawyer Registration Office will disclose to any member of the public the registered lawyer or judge's current or last reported:

- (1) name;
- (2) postal address;
- (3) admission date;
- (4) license number;
- (5) authorization to practice law in Minnesota;
- (6) continuing legal education category;
- (7) disciplinary status;
- (8) good standing status;
- (9) last payment date;
- (10) next due date;
- (11) professional liability insurance coverage information submitted under Rule 22; and
- (12) classification in one of the following status categories: Active, Inactive, Military (On Duty), Retired, Resigned, Deceased, or Noncompliant Status - Non-Payment of Fees.

C. Publicly Available List. The Lawyer Registration Office will, upon request, disclose to any member of the public a list containing the names, cities, and zip codes of all lawyers and judges.

D. Lists Available to Continuing Legal Education Providers, the Courts, and the State Board of Civil Legal Aid. Upon written request and payment of \$200, the Lawyer Registration Office will issue to any bona fide continuing legal education provider a complete list of the names, postal addresses, admission dates, continuing legal education categories, current statuses, and license numbers of all lawyers and judges. The Lawyer Registration Office may disclose the same information to courts and judicial districts to provide postal addresses of lawyers and judges for a judicial evaluation program. Upon written request, the Lawyer Registration Office is authorized to provide the names and postal addresses of lawyers and judges to Minnesota Judicial Branch access to justice initiatives and to the State Board of Civil Legal Aid for pro bono promotional purposes.

E. Client Trust Account Information. The Lawyer Registration Office must not disclose to the public any client trust account information submitted by lawyers and judges as part of the lawyer registration process. The trust account information may be shared with the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility for the purpose of monitoring trust accounts and with the State Board of Civil Legal Aid for the purpose of administering the Minnesota IOLTA program.

F. Use in Case Management Systems. Lawyer registration records may be imported into case management systems for the purpose of linking lawyers to cases and storing accurate identification

information. When imported into a case management system, lawyer registration records may thereafter be disclosed in connection with corresponding case information, provided that bulk distribution of such records complies with Rule 23C of these Rules.

G. Demographic Information. Demographic data collected from lawyers and judges on the Lawyer Registration Statement is not accessible to the public. The Lawyer Registration Office may publish information based on demographic data reported on Lawyer Registration Statements as directed or ordered by the Court.

H. Pro Bono Service and Contribution Reporting Information. Pro bono reporting and contribution information collected from lawyers and judges as part of the Lawyer Registration Statement is not accessible to the public. The Lawyer Registration Office may publish information based on reported pro bono and contribution data as directed or ordered by the court.

I. Display of Home Address in MARS. If a lawyer or judge certifies that the only address at which they currently receive mail is their home address, and makes a written request to the Lawyer Registration Office based on safety concerns, then their postal address will not be displayed in the MARS online system. Addresses will still be provided as otherwise described above.

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