

Rule 2. General Policy

Records of all courts and court administrators in the state of Minnesota are presumed to be open to any member of the public for inspection or copying at all times during the regular office hours of the custodian of the records. Some records, however, are not accessible to the public, at least in the absence of a court order or disclosure by a judge, and these exceptions to the general policy are set out in Rules 4, 5, 6, and 8. Without limiting Rule 11, a disclosure made or directed by a judge acting in the judge's official capacity, including but not limited to disclosure directions in a written or oral order, shall not create liability, whether civil or criminal in nature, for the judge or for court staff implementing the judge's order.

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