§1254-B. Preservation of records

1. Records preserved. The clerk shall cause to be preserved all records and lists compiled and maintained in connection with selection and service of jurors for the length of time ordered by the court. [PL 1981, c. 705, Pt. G, §14 (NEW).]

2. Records' confidentiality. The records and information used in connection with the selection process are confidential and may not be disclosed except as provided in this chapter. [PL 2005, c. 285, §2 (AMD).]

3. Exceptions to confidentiality. Once the period of juror service has expired, a person seeking the names of the jurors may file with the court a written request for disclosure of the names of the jurors. The request must be accompanied by an affidavit stating the basis for the request. The court may disclose the names of the jurors only if the court determines that the disclosure is in the interests of justice. The factors the court may consider in determining if the disclosure is in the interests of justice include, but are not limited to, encouraging candid responses from prospective jurors, the safety and privacy interests of prospective jurors and the interests of the media and the public in ensuring that trials are conducted ethically and without bias.

[PL 2005, c. 285, §3 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1981, c. 705, §G14 (NEW). PL 2005, c. 285, §§2,3 (AMD).

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