In the Indiana Supreme Court

Cause No. 23S-MS-10



Order Amending Rules on Access to Court Records

Under the authority vested in this Court to provide by rule for the procedures employed in all courts of this state and this Court's inherent authority to supervise the administration of all courts in this state, the Indiana Rules on Access to Court Records are amended as follows (deletions shown by strikethrough and new text shown by underlining):

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Rule 5. Records Excluded from Public Access

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(D) Court Administrative Records That Must Be Excluded From Public Access. The following Court Administrative Records are confidential and must be excluded from Public Access:

. . .

(5) All personal notes, organizers, or calendars; <u>electronic communications</u>, <u>including</u> <u>without limitation</u> e-mail, <u>text messages</u>, <u>photographs</u>, <u>and all related electronic data</u>; and deliberative material of judges, jurors, court staff, and judicial agencies, whether recorded electronically or on paper.

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This amendment is effective January 1, 2024.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on $\frac{4}{3}/2023$.

Louis A. Ruch

Loretta H. Rush Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.