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Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 307-454 and insert:

Section 7. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 119.0714, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

119.0714 Court files; court records; official records.-

- (2) COURT RECORDS. -
- (a) $\underline{1}$. Until January 1, 2012, if a social security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number is included in a court file, such number may be included as part of the court record available for public inspection and copying unless redaction is requested by the holder of such number or by the holder's attorney or legal guardian.
- 2.(b) A request for redaction must be a signed, legibly written request specifying the case name, case number, document heading, and page number. The request must be delivered by mail,

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facsimile, electronic transmission, or in person to the clerk of the court. The clerk of the court does not have a duty to inquire beyond the written request to verify the identity of a person requesting redaction.

- 3.(c) A fee may not be charged for the redaction of a social security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number pursuant to such request.
- $\frac{4.(d)}{d}$ The clerk of the court has no liability for the inadvertent release of social security numbers, or bank account, debit, charge, or credit card numbers, unknown to the clerk of the court in court records filed on or before January 1, 2012.
- 5.a. (e)1. On January 1, 2012, and thereafter, the clerk of the court must keep social security numbers confidential and exempt as provided for in s. 119.071(5)(a), and bank account, debit, charge, and credit card numbers exempt as provided for in s. 119.071(5)(b), without any person having to request redaction.
- $\underline{\text{b.2.}}$ Section 119.071(5)(a)7. and 8. does not apply to the clerks of the court with respect to court records.
- (b) A request for maintenance of a public record exemption in s. 119.071(4)(d)1. made pursuant to s. 119.071(4)(d)2. must specify the document type, name, identification number, and page number of the court record that contains the exempt information.
 - (3) OFFICIAL RECORDS.-
- (a) $\underline{1}$. Any person who prepares or files a record for recording in the official records as provided in chapter 28 may not include in that record a social security number or a bank

account, debit, charge, or credit card number unless otherwise expressly required by law.

2.a.(b)1. If a social security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number is included in an official record, such number may be made available as part of the official records available for public inspection and copying unless redaction is requested by the holder of such number or by the holder's attorney or legal guardian.

<u>b.2.</u> If such record is in electronic format, on January 1, 2011, and thereafter, the county recorder must use his or her best effort, as provided in paragraph (h), to keep social security numbers confidential and exempt as provided for in s. 119.071(5)(a), and to keep complete bank account, debit, charge, and credit card numbers exempt as provided for in s.

 $\underline{\text{c.3.}}$ Section 119.071(5)(a)7. and 8. does not apply to the county recorder with respect to official records.

119.071(5)(b), without any person having to request redaction.

3.(e) The holder of a social security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number, or the holder's attorney or legal guardian, may request that a county recorder redact from an image or copy of an official record placed on a county recorder's publicly available Internet website or on a publicly available Internet website used by a county recorder to display public records, or otherwise made electronically available to the public, his or her social security number or bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number contained in that official record.

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- $\frac{4 \cdot (d)}{d}$ A request for redaction must be a signed, legibly written request and must be delivered by mail, facsimile, electronic transmission, or in person to the county recorder. The request must specify the identification page number of the record that contains the number to be redacted.
- 5.(e) The county recorder does not have a duty to inquire beyond the written request to verify the identity of a person requesting redaction.
- $\underline{6.(f)}$ A fee may not be charged for redacting a social security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number.
- 7.(g) A county recorder shall immediately and conspicuously post signs throughout his or her offices for public viewing, and shall immediately and conspicuously post on any Internet website or remote electronic site made available by the county recorder and used for the ordering or display of official records or images or copies of official records, a notice stating, in substantially similar form, the following:
- $\underline{a.1.}$ On or after October 1, 2002, any person preparing or filing a record for recordation in the official records may not include a social security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number in such document unless required by law.
- $\underline{b.2.}$ Any person has a right to request a county recorder to remove from an image or copy of an official record placed on a county recorder's publicly available Internet website or on a publicly available Internet website used by a county recorder to display public records, or otherwise made electronically

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available to the general public, any social security number contained in an official record. Such request must be made in writing and delivered by mail, facsimile, or electronic transmission, or delivered in person, to the county recorder. The request must specify the identification page number that contains the social security number to be redacted. A fee may not be charged for the redaction of a social security number pursuant to such a request.

- 8.(h) If the county recorder accepts or stores official records in an electronic format, the county recorder must use his or her best efforts to redact all social security numbers and bank account, debit, charge, or credit card numbers from electronic copies of the official record. The use of an automated program for redaction shall be deemed to be the best effort in performing the redaction and shall be deemed in compliance with the requirements of this subsection.
- 9.(i) The county recorder is not liable for the inadvertent release of social security numbers, or bank account, debit, charge, or credit card numbers, filed with the county recorder.
- (b) A request for maintenance of a public record exemption in s. 119.071(4)(d)1. made pursuant to s. 119.071(4)(d)2. must specify the document type, name, identification number, and page number of the official record that contains the exempt information.

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Remove line 19 and insert:

134 publication affidavits; amending s. 119.0714, F.S.;

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