

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law (R.S. 44:1 et seq.-Public Records Law) provides that all books, records, writings, accounts, letters and letter books, maps, drawings, photographs, cards, tapes, recordings, memoranda, and papers, and all copies, duplicates, photographs, including microfilm, or other reproductions thereof, or any other documentary materials, regardless of physical form or characteristics, including information contained in electronic data processing equipment, having been used, being in use, or prepared, possessed, or retained for use in the conduct, transaction, or performance of any business, transaction, work, duty, or function which was conducted, transacted, or performed by or under the authority of the constitution or laws of the state, or by or under the authority of any ordinance, regulation, mandate, or order of any public body or concerning the receipt or payment of any money received or paid by or under the authority of the constitution or the laws of the state are "public records". Existing law establishes a framework for the ready availability of public records to requesting persons and specifically provides that it is the duty of the custodian of the public records of a public entity or agency to provide copies to persons so requesting. Provides for certain exceptions, exemptions, and limitations.

New law provides that any judge may request to have his name removed from information concerning his domiciliary address on a publicly accessible website containing the property assessment rolls of a parish property tax assessor or tax collector. New law requires that the request shall be made in writing each year to the parish tax assessor or collector along with proof of the current holding of judicial office.

New law provides that a person wishing to access personal ownership information which has been removed pursuant to new law may request the records from the parish property tax assessor or collector.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Adds R.S. 44:11.1)