## Instructions For Confidential Information Form

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Don't include this instruction sheet when you serve or file the completed form.

A confidential information form lists the full protected, or confidential, information that isn't allowed to appear in other documents filed with the court. This form is a part of the court record that isn't seen by the public.

Court case records are generally available to the public, and anyone can request to look in almost any court file. However, certain information is protected and required to remain confidential, even if the protected information is part of a public court case record.

Rule 41 of the North Dakota Supreme Court Administrative Rules governs public access to court case records.

<u>Rule 3.4 of the North Dakota Rules of Court</u> governs protected information in documents filed in North Dakota state district court cases.

## **Confidential Information includes:**

- Social Security Numbers
- Taxpayer Identification Numbers
- Birthdates
- Minor child's name.
  - However, if the minor child is a party in the case, the minor child's full name isn't protected information. For example, in a case to change a minor child's name, the child's full name must appear.
- Financial account number
- Victim contact information in a criminal or delinquency case, if the victim requests.
  - Victim contact information means any information that would allow someone to make contact, such as names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, or places of employment.

You may need to refer to Protected, or Confidential, Information when you create your legal documents or fill out forms. When you create legal documents or fill out forms, write or type only:

- The last four (4) digits of the social security number and taxpayer identification number.
- The year of birth.
- The minor child's initials.
- The last four (4) digits of the financial-account number.
- "Victim contact information" to refer to victim contact information in a criminal or delinquency case.

Capti	on (Top of Form):			
	Fill in the Caption exactly as it appears in the Plaintiff's Complaint/Petitioner's Petition.			
Full I	nformation:			
	Fill in the full <b>confidential</b> information.			
Redacted Information:				
	Fill in the redacted information you use to refer to confidential information in the legal document(s) you created, or the form(s) you filled out.			
Date	and Signature:			
	Date and sign this form Complete the lines following the signature line.			

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State of North Dako	ta	In District Court		
County of			Judicial District	
vs	) Plaintiff/Petitioner, ) ) )		nformation Form	
Defen	idant/Respondent. )			
	Full Information		Redacted Information	
<b>Plaintiff/Petitioner:</b> Name:				
Date of Birth:	<del></del>	<del></del>	Year of Birth:	
Social Security #:			XXX-XX	
<b>Defendant/Respond</b> Name:	lent:			
Date of Birth:			Year of Birth:	
Social Security #:			XXX-XX	
Minor Child: Name:			Initials:	
Date of Birth:			Year of Birth:	
Social Security #:			XXX-XX	
Minor Child: Name:			Initials:	
Date of Birth:			Year of Birth:	
Social Security #:			XXX-XX	
Minor Child: Name:			Initials:	
Date of Birth:		····	Year of Birth:	
Social Security #:			XXX-XX	

Full Information	Redacted Information
Financial Account Numbers:	
Name of Account:	
Account Number:	Last 4 Digits:
Name of Account:	
Account Number:	Last 4 Digits:
Name of Account:	<del></del>
Account Number:	Last 4 Digits:
Name of Account:	
Account Number:	Last 4 Digits:
Taxpayer Id Number:	
Name:	
ID Number:	Last 4 Digits:
Dated	
(Signature)	
(Printed Name)	
(Address)	
(City, State, Zip Code)	
(Telephone Number)	
(Email)	