Chapter 7 — Records and Files of Courts

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RECORDS AND FILES OF COURTS

COURTS OF RECORD; COURT OFFICERS; JURIES

RECORDS IN ADOPTION, FILIATION, PROBATE AND JUVENILE PROCEEDINGS

7.211 Separate records in adoption cases; accessibility of records limited. (1) The clerk or court administrator of any court having jurisdiction over adoption cases shall keep separate records in all cases of adoption filed in such court. The records shall not be subject to the inspection of any person, except upon order of the court. Adoption proceedings shall not be entered upon the general records of the court, nor shall the clerk or court administrator disclose to any person, without the court order, any information appearing in the adoption records. The clerk, court administrator or any other person having custody of any records or files in such cases shall not disclose them to any person without the court order. Nothing contained in this section shall prevent the clerk or court administrator from certifying copies of a judgment of adoption to the petitioners in such proceeding or their attorney. At the time of the entry of any judgment of adoption, the clerk, court administrator or other person having custody of the records or files in such cases shall cause all records, papers and files relating to the adoption to be sealed in the record of the case and such sealed records, papers and files shall not be unsealed, opened or subject to the inspection of any person except upon order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

(2) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section do not apply to the disclosure of information under ORS 109.425 to 109.507. [1957 c.412 §3 (enacted in lieu of 109.340); 1975 c.588 §14; 1979 c.58 §5; 1983 c.672 §17; 1985 c.540 §10; 1995 c.79 §4; 1995 c.730 §6; 1997 c.873 §25; 1999 c.859 §25; 2003 c.576 §276]