

Special Handling For

Confidential Documents*

Each “confidential document” and each copy of the confidential document must be submitted to the Clerk of Superior Court in its own, *un*-sealed (9”x12”) envelope.* The following documents are considered to be “confidential:”

- Probate Information Forms
- Medical Reports and Records
- Budgets
- Inventories and Appraisements
- Accountings
- Credit Reports
- Any other document ordered by the court to be “Confidential”

*A separate envelope is required for *each* confidential document, as well as each copy of the confidential document. The following information must appear on the outside of each envelope:

1. Case name and number (“In the Matter of xxxxx” and “PB 2020-xxxxx”),
2. Name of the document (“Annual Accounting,” “Annual Report,” “Medical Records,” etc.)
3. Name of the party filing the document, and
4. The words “Confidential Document”

“Confidential Information” in *Non*-Confidential Documents*

Documents not labeled and submitted as “Confidential” must not contain “confidential information.”

“Confidential information” is any of the following:*

- The Social Security Number of a living person
- Any financial account number (including those for credit card, bank, and brokerage accounts; insurance policies and annuity contracts; and pension, profit-sharing, or retirement accounts) *unless only the last 4 digits are displayed*
- Any other information determined by the court to be “Confidential”

On its own, or on the request of any party, the court may order that:

1. A document containing confidential information be filed as “a confidential document,”
or
2. Confidential information contained in a non-confidential document be *redacted* (covered up or hidden).

Filing confidential information in a non-confidential document is prohibited. The court may impose appropriate sanctions on a person who violates the confidentiality rules.

*Rule 8, Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure