

**RULE 2.425. MINIMIZATION OF THE FILING OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION**

**(a) Limitation for Court Filings.** Unless authorized by subdivision (b), statute, another rule of court, or the court orders otherwise, designated sensitive information filed with the court must be limited to the following format:

- (1) The initials of a person known to be a minor;
- (2) The year of birth of a person's birth date;
- (3) No portion of any
  - (A) social security number,
  - (B) bank account number,
  - (C) credit card account number,
  - (D) charge account number, or
  - (E) debit account number;
- (4) The last four digits of any
  - (A) taxpayer identification number (TIN),
  - (B) employee identification number,
  - (C) driver's license number,
  - (D) passport number,
  - (E) telephone number,
  - (F) financial account number, except as set forth in subdivision (a)(3),
  - (G) brokerage account number,
  - (H) insurance policy account number,
  - (I) loan account number,
  - (J) customer account number, or
  - (K) patient or health care number;
- (5) A truncated version of any
  - (A) email address,
  - (B) computer user name,
  - (C) password, or



(D) personal identification number (PIN); and

(6) A truncated version of any other sensitive information as provided by court order.

**(b) Exceptions.** Subdivision (a) does not apply to the following:

(1) An account number which identifies the property alleged to be the subject of a proceeding;

(2) The record of an administrative or agency proceeding;

(3) The record in appellate or review proceedings;

(4) The birth date of a minor whenever the birth date is necessary for the court to establish or maintain subject matter jurisdiction;

(5) The name of a minor in any order relating to parental responsibility, time-sharing, or child support;

(6) The name of a minor in any document or order affecting the minor's ownership of real property;

(7) The birth date of a party in a writ of attachment or notice to payor;

(8) In traffic and criminal proceedings

(A) a pro se filing;

(B) a court filing that is related to a criminal matter or investigation and that is prepared before the filing of a criminal charge or is not filed as part of any docketed criminal case;

(C) an arrest or search warrant or any information in support thereof;

(D) a charging document and an affidavit or other documents filed in support of any charging document, including any driving records;

(E) a statement of particulars;

(F) discovery material introduced into evidence or otherwise filed with the court;

(G) all information necessary for the proper issuance and execution of a subpoena duces tecum;

(H) information needed to contact witnesses who will support the defendant's claim of newly discovered evidence under Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.851; and

(I) information needed to complete a sentencing scoresheet;

(9) Information used by the clerk for case maintenance purposes or the courts for case management purposes; and

(10) Information which is relevant and material to an issue before the court.

**(c) Remedies.** Upon motion by a party or interested person or sua sponte by the court, the court may order remedies, sanctions or both for a violation of subdivision (a). Following notice and an opportunity to respond, the court may impose sanctions if such filing was not made in good faith.

**(d) Motions Not Restricted.** This rule does not restrict a party's right to move for protective order, to move to file documents under seal, or to request a determination of the confidentiality of records.

**(e) Application.** This rule does not affect the application of constitutional provisions, statutes, or rules of court regarding confidential information or access to public information.

