

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §29B-1-2

## §29B-1-2. Definitions.

As used in this article:

- (1) "Custodian" means the elected or appointed official charged with administering a public body.
- (2) "Law-enforcement officer" shall have the same definition as this term is defined in W.Va. Code §30-29-1: *Provided*, That for purposes of this article, "law-enforcement officer" shall additionally include those individuals defined as "chief executive" in W.Va. Code §30-29-1.
- (3) "Person" includes any natural person, corporation, partnership, firm or association.
- (4) "Public body" means every state officer, agency, department, including the executive, legislative and judicial departments, division, bureau, board and commission; every county and city governing body, school district, special district, municipal corporation, and any board, department, commission council or agency thereof; and any other body which is created by state or local authority or which is primarily funded by the state or local authority.
- (5) "Public record" includes any writing containing information prepared or received by a public body, the content or context of which, judged either by content or context, relates to the conduct of the public's business.
- (6) "Writing" includes any books, papers, maps, photographs, cards, tapes, recordings or other documentary materials regardless of physical form or characteristics.
- (7) "Publicly-administered utility enterprise" includes electric power generation, transmission, and distribution systems; water supply and distribution systems; wastewater including stormwater collection, treatment, and disposal systems of all types; public transportation systems; solid waste collection and disposal systems and facilities; or other public entity providing utility services, excluding airports, which are owned or administered by a governmental entity.