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PART 7. PROHIBITED CONDUCT.

§48-23-701. Prohibited conduct.

(a) No person, agency, entity or organization of any kind, including, but not limited to, any officer or employee of this state and any employee, officer or judge of any court of this state, may disclose any confidential information relating to an adoption except as provided in this article or pursuant to a court order. Any employer who knowingly or negligently allows any employee to disclose information in violation of this article is subject to the penalties provided in subsection (b) of this section, together with the employee who made any disclosure prohibited by this law.

(b) Any person, agency, entity or organization of any kind who discloses information in violation of this law is liable to the parties so injured in an action to recover damages in respect thereto.

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