

## EXCEPTIONS TO NON-DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL RECORDS

See: The Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 522a (2020)

The Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (“Privacy Act”) prohibits agencies from disclosing information about an individual without that individual’s written consent, unless the disclosure falls under one of the 12 statutory exceptions listed below:

12 Statutory Exceptions
1. To those officers and employees of the agency which maintains the record who have a need for the record in the performance of their duties;
2. Required under section 552 of this title;
3. For a routine use as defined in subsection (a)(7) of this section and described under subsection (e)(4)(D) of this section ( <a href="#">see list of Peace Corps’ routine uses</a> );
4. To the Bureau of the Census for purposes of planning or carrying out a census or survey or related activity pursuant to the provisions of title 13;
5. To a recipient who has provided the agency with advance adequate written assurance that the record will be used solely as statistical research or reporting record, and the record is to be transferred in a form that is not individually identifiable;
6. To the National Archives and Records Administration as a record which has sufficient historical or other value to warrant its continued preservation by the United States Government, or for evaluation by the Archivist of the United States or the designee of the Archivist to determine whether the record has such value;
7. To another agency or to an instrumentality of any governmental jurisdiction within or under the control of the United States for a civil or criminal law enforcement activity if the activity is authorized by law, and if the head of the agency or instrumentality has made a written request to the agency which maintains the record specifying the particular portion desired and the law enforcement activity for which the record is sought;
8. To a person pursuant to a showing of compelling circumstances affecting the health or safety of an individual if upon such disclosure notification is transmitted to the last known address of such individual;
9. To either House of Congress, or, to the extent of matter within its jurisdiction, any committee or subcommittee thereof, any joint committee of Congress or subcommittee of any such joint committee;
10. To the Comptroller General, or any of his authorized representatives, in the course of the performance of the duties of the Government Accountability Office;
11. Pursuant to the order of a court of competent jurisdiction; or

12. To a consumer reporting agency in accordance with section 3711(e) of title 31.