

DENNIS P. McHUGH PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY

PRIVACY POLICY
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CONFIDENTIALITY OF LIBRARY RECORDS

- A. The Library's circulation records and any other records which identify and relate the name of library users with specific materials are confidential.
 - 1. Such records will not be released or used for non-library purposes except pursuant to a subpoena from a court of law or other valid process which specifically identifies the information required and the purpose for the request.
 - 2. General public access to such circulation information invades the privacy of the individual patron, and would tend to discourage the freedom of inquiry into sensitive or unpopular subject matter.
- B. New York State Law.

STATE OF NEW YORK

IN SENATE

February 25, 1988

Introduced by Senator Volker.

An Act to amend the civil practice law and rules, in relation to the confidentiality of library records.

#4509. Library (circulation) records. (Records relating to the circulation of library materials) Library records, which contain names or other personally identifying details regarding the users of public, free, association, school, college and university libraries and library systems of this state, including but not limited to records related to the circulation of library materials, computer database searches, interlibrary loan transactions, reference queries, requests for photocopies of library materials, title reserve requests or the use of audio-visual materials, films or records, shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed except that such records may be disclosed to the extent necessary for the proper operation of such library and shall be disclosed upon request or consent of the user or pursuant to subpoena, court order or otherwise required by statute.