



CHAPTER 116B
ARTICLE 4 - NORTH CAROLINA UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT

N.C.G.S. § 116B-78.1.

Property finder regulation and enforcement.

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- § 116B-78.1(a)

A property finder shall be licensed as a private investigator by the North Carolina Private Protective Services Board pursuant to Chapter 74C of the General Statutes.
- § 116B-78.1(b)

A property finder shall not initiate a claim with the Treasurer at any time prior to being registered as a property finder under G.S. 116B-78(f) or prior to licensure as a private investigator. Failure to comply with this subsection may result in the denial of the property finder's registration for a period of up to one year.
- § 116B-78.1(c)

A property finder shall not initiate a claim with the Treasurer at any time prior to obtaining a valid agreement with an owner or apparent owner. Failure to comply with this section may result in the suspension of the property finder's registration for a period of up to one year.
- § 116B-78.1(d)

If a property finder enters into an agreement to locate property that does not comply with G.S. 116B-78, then the Treasurer may suspend the property finder's registration for a period of up to one year.
- § 116B-78.1(e)

A property finder with a suspended registration is prohibited from conducting business with the Unclaimed Property Division. Any pending or potential claims shall be denied during any period of suspension. (2021-157, s. 2(f).)

APPARATUS II
2 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 116B-78(f)	(b)	<i>"registered as a property finder under"</i>
G.S. 116B-78	(d)	<i>"property that does not comply with"</i>

APPARATUS III

Citation

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N.C. Gen. Stat. § 116B-78.1 (2026).

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