



CHAPTER 8
ARTICLE 7 - COMPETENCY OF WITNESSES

N.C.G.S. § 8-53.7.

Social worker privilege.

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No person engaged in delivery of private social work services, duly licensed or certified pursuant to Chapter 90B of the General Statutes shall be required to disclose any information that he or she may have acquired in rendering professional social services, and which information was necessary to enable him or her to render professional social services: provided, that the presiding judge of a superior or district court may compel such disclosure, if in the court's opinion the same is necessary to a proper administration of justice and such disclosure is not prohibited by G.S. 8-53.6 or any other statute or regulation.

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APPARATUS I
3 ACTS

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01	1983	c. 495, s. 2	ENACTED	
02	2001	S.L. 2001-152, s. 2	AMENDED	
03	2001	S.L. 2001-487, s. 40(b)	AMENDED	

APPARATUS II
1 AUTHORITY

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. 8-53.6		<i>"such disclosure is not prohibited by"</i>

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 8-53.7 (2001).

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