



CHAPTER 8
ARTICLE 7D - ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT PRIVILEGE AND LIMITED IMMUNITY

N.C.G.S. § 8-58.59.

(Article has a contingent effective date – see note) Stipulations; declaratory rulings.

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The parties to a proceeding may at any time stipulate to entry of an order directing that specific information contained in an environmental audit report is or is not subject to the privilege. In the absence of an ongoing proceeding, where the parties are not in agreement, an enforcement agency may seek a declaratory ruling from a court on the issue of whether the materials are privileged under G.S. 8-58.53 and whether the privilege, if existing, should be revoked pursuant to G.S. 8-58.56. (2015-286, s. 4.1(a).)

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2 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

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REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 8-58.53		"whether the materials are privileged under"
G.S. 8-58.56		"existing, should be revoked pursuant to"

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Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 8-58.59 (2026).

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