Most documents that are filed with the court can be seen by anyone online. Some information on documents is considered confidential and **must** be removed or hidden.

► If you are filing a document with the court YOU must be aware of what information is considered confidential.

What is confidential information?

Confidential information often used in family court matters can include information listed in Court Operating Rule 2.02(c). This is not a complete list. If you are filing attachments to any forms from this website, confidential information might be on those documents also.

► YOU are responsible for <u>redacting</u> (removing) information you are filing with the court that is confidential.

How do I remove information?

Redact means to remove or hide information listed on a document before you file it with the court. Below are two ways you can redact confidential information:

Option One

- 1) Fill out your documents completely (including confidential information).
- 2) Make a copy of all documents that have confidential information.
- 3) Go through the **<u>copied</u>** documents and black out or white out any confidential information.

Option Two

1) Fill out your documents using generic descriptions for any confidential information you do not want to provide. For example, use initials or "Child One" instead of the full name of a child.

If you remove any information, you are required to show the court what you removed when you complete the *Confidential Case Filing Information Sheet* (FI10). Do not redact the *Confidential Case Filing Information Sheet* (FI10) or the *Redaction Certification* Form (GN320).

► YOU must confirm you have followed the rules for redaction

How do I do this?

After you have done option one or two above, confirm you have followed the rules by filling out the *Redaction Certification* form (GN320). You have to fill out this form even if you did not remove any information.

► YOU must file with the court all unredacted <u>and</u> redacted documents and the *Redaction Certification* form (GN320).

► IF you think SOMEONE HAS NOT CORRECTLY REDACTED INFORMATION, file the

Motion to Correct Redaction Form (GN325) to bring it to the attention of the court. The form is available from the Home page of this website under Approved Court Forms.