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SENATE BILL 16-088

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE "REVISED UNIFORM FIDUCIARY ACCESS TO**
102 **DIGITAL ASSETS ACT".**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Colorado Commission on Uniform State Laws. The bill enacts the "Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act", as amended, as Colorado law. The bill sets forth the conditions under which certain fiduciaries may access:

- ! The content of an electronic communication of a principal or decedent;

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

- ! A catalog of electronic communications sent or received by a principal or decedent; and
- ! Any other digital asset in which a principal has a right or interest or in which a decedent had a right or interest at death.

As to tangible personal property capable of receiving, storing, processing, or sending a digital asset, a fiduciary with authority over the property of a decedent, protected person, principal, or settlor may access the property and any digital asset stored in it and is an authorized user for purposes of computer fraud and unauthorized computer access laws.

A custodian and its officers, employees, and agents are immune from liability for an act or omission done in good-faith compliance with the provisions of the bill.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 15 to article
3 1 of title 15 as follows:

4 PART 15

5 REVISED UNIFORM FIDUCIARY ACCESS

6 TO DIGITAL ASSETS ACT

7 **15-1-1501. Short title.** THIS PART 15 MAY BE CITED AS THE
8 "REVISED UNIFORM FIDUCIARY ACCESS TO DIGITAL ASSETS ACT".

9 **15-1-1502. Definitions.** IN THIS PART 15:

10 (1) "ACCOUNT" MEANS AN ARRANGEMENT UNDER A
11 TERMS-OF-SERVICE AGREEMENT IN WHICH A CUSTODIAN CARRIES,
12 MAINTAINS, PROCESSES, RECEIVES, OR STORES A DIGITAL ASSET OF THE
13 USER OR PROVIDES GOODS OR SERVICES TO THE USER.

14 (2) "AGENT" MEANS AN ATTORNEY-IN-FACT GRANTED AUTHORITY
15 UNDER A DURABLE OR NONDURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY.

16 (3) "CARRIES" MEANS ENGAGES IN THE TRANSMISSION OF AN
17 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION.

18 (4) "CATALOG OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS" MEANS

1 INFORMATION THAT IDENTIFIES EACH PERSON WITH WHICH A USER HAS
2 HAD AN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION, THE TIME AND DATE OF THE
3 COMMUNICATION, AND THE ELECTRONIC ADDRESS OF THE PERSON.

4 (5) "CONSERVATOR" MEANS A PERSON APPOINTED BY A COURT TO
5 MANAGE THE ESTATE OF A LIVING INDIVIDUAL. THE TERM INCLUDES A
6 LIMITED CONSERVATOR.

7 (6) "CONTENT OF AN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION" MEANS
8 INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SUBSTANCE OR MEANING OF A
9 COMMUNICATION THAT:

10 (a) HAS BEEN SENT OR RECEIVED BY A USER;

11 (b) IS IN ELECTRONIC STORAGE BY A CUSTODIAN PROVIDING AN
12 ELECTRONIC-COMMUNICATION SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC OR IS CARRIED OR
13 MAINTAINED BY A CUSTODIAN PROVIDING A REMOTE-COMPUTING SERVICE
14 TO THE PUBLIC; AND

15 (c) IS NOT READILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC.

16 (7) "COURT" MEANS THE DISTRICT COURT, EXCEPT IN THE CITY
17 AND COUNTY OF DENVER WHERE IT IS THE PROBATE COURT.

18 (8) "CUSTODIAN" MEANS A PERSON THAT CARRIES, MAINTAINS,
19 PROCESSES, RECEIVES, OR STORES A DIGITAL ASSET OF A USER.

20 (9) "DESIGNATED RECIPIENT" MEANS A PERSON CHOSEN BY A USER
21 USING AN ON-LINE TOOL TO ADMINISTER DIGITAL ASSETS OF THE USER.

22 (10) "DIGITAL ASSET" MEANS AN ELECTRONIC RECORD IN WHICH
23 AN INDIVIDUAL HAS A RIGHT OR INTEREST. THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE
24 AN UNDERLYING ASSET OR LIABILITY UNLESS THE ASSET OR LIABILITY IS
25 ITSELF AN ELECTRONIC RECORD.

26 (11) "ELECTRONIC" MEANS RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY HAVING
27 ELECTRICAL, DIGITAL, MAGNETIC, WIRELESS, OPTICAL,

1 ELECTROMAGNETIC, OR SIMILAR CAPABILITIES.

2 (12) "ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION" HAS THE MEANING SET
3 FORTH IN 18 U.S.C. SEC. 2510(12), AS AMENDED.

4 (13) "ELECTRONIC-COMMUNICATION SERVICE" MEANS A
5 CUSTODIAN THAT PROVIDES TO A USER THE ABILITY TO SEND OR RECEIVE
6 AN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION.

7 (14) "FIDUCIARY" MEANS AN ORIGINAL, ADDITIONAL, OR
8 SUCCESSOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, CONSERVATOR, AGENT, OR
9 TRUSTEE.

10 (15) "INFORMATION" MEANS DATA, TEXT, IMAGES, VIDEOS,
11 SOUNDS, CODES, COMPUTER PROGRAMS, SOFTWARE, DATABASES, OR THE
12 LIKE.

13 (16) "ON-LINE TOOL" MEANS AN ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDED
14 BY A CUSTODIAN THAT ALLOWS THE USER, IN AN AGREEMENT DISTINCT
15 FROM THE TERMS-OF-SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CUSTODIAN AND
16 USER, TO PROVIDE DIRECTIONS FOR DISCLOSURE OR NONDISCLOSURE OF
17 DIGITAL ASSETS TO A THIRD PERSON.

18 (17) "PERSON" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL; ESTATE; BUSINESS OR
19 NONPROFIT ENTITY; PUBLIC CORPORATION; GOVERNMENT OR
20 GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION, AGENCY, OR INSTRUMENTALITY; OR OTHER
21 LEGAL ENTITY.

22 (18) "PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE" MEANS AN EXECUTOR,
23 ADMINISTRATOR, SPECIAL ADMINISTRATOR, OR PERSON THAT PERFORMS
24 SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FUNCTION UNDER LAW OF THIS STATE OTHER
25 THAN THIS PART 15.

26 (19) "POWER OF ATTORNEY" MEANS A RECORD THAT GRANTS AN
27 AGENT AUTHORITY TO ACT IN THE PLACE OF A PRINCIPAL.

1 (20) "PRINCIPAL" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO GRANTS AUTHORITY
2 TO AN AGENT IN A POWER OF ATTORNEY.

3 (21) "PROTECTED PERSON" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL FOR WHOM A
4 CONSERVATOR HAS BEEN APPOINTED. THE TERM INCLUDES AN INDIVIDUAL
5 FOR WHOM AN APPLICATION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR
6 IS PENDING.

7 (22) "RECORD" MEANS INFORMATION THAT IS INSCRIBED ON A
8 TANGIBLE MEDIUM OR THAT IS STORED IN AN ELECTRONIC OR OTHER
9 MEDIUM AND IS RETRIEVABLE IN PERCEIVABLE FORM.

10 (23) "REMOTE-COMPUTING SERVICE" MEANS A CUSTODIAN THAT
11 PROVIDES TO A USER COMPUTER-PROCESSING SERVICES OR THE STORAGE
12 OF DIGITAL ASSETS BY MEANS OF AN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS
13 SYSTEM, AS DEFINED IN 18 U.S.C. SEC. 2510(14), AS AMENDED.

14 (24) "TERMS-OF-SERVICE AGREEMENT" MEANS AN AGREEMENT
15 THAT CONTROLS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN A USER AND A CUSTODIAN.

16 (25) "TRUSTEE" MEANS A FIDUCIARY WITH LEGAL TITLE TO
17 PROPERTY UNDER AN AGREEMENT OR DECLARATION THAT CREATES A
18 BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN ANOTHER. THE TERM INCLUDES A SUCCESSOR
19 TRUSTEE.

20 (26) "USER" MEANS A PERSON THAT HAS AN ACCOUNT WITH A
21 CUSTODIAN.

22 (27) "WILL" INCLUDES A CODICIL, TESTAMENTARY INSTRUMENT
23 THAT ONLY APPOINTS AN EXECUTOR, AND INSTRUMENT THAT REVOKES OR
24 REVISES A TESTAMENTARY INSTRUMENT.

25 **15-1-1503. Applicability.** (1) THIS PART 15 APPLIES TO:

26 (a) A FIDUCIARY ACTING UNDER A WILL OR POWER OF ATTORNEY
27 EXECUTED BEFORE, ON, OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PART 15;

1 (b) A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE ACTING FOR A DECEDENT WHO
2 DIED BEFORE, ON, OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PART 15;

3 (c) A CONSERVATORSHIP PROCEEDING COMMENCED BEFORE, ON,
4 OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PART 15; AND

5 (d) A TRUSTEE ACTING UNDER A TRUST CREATED BEFORE, ON, OR
6 AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PART 15.

7 (2) THIS PART 15 APPLIES TO A CUSTODIAN IF THE USER RESIDES IN
8 THIS STATE OR RESIDED IN THIS STATE AT THE TIME OF THE USER'S DEATH.

9 (3) (a) THIS PART 15 DOES NOT APPLY TO A DIGITAL ASSET OF AN
10 EMPLOYER USED BY AN EMPLOYEE IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF THE
11 EMPLOYER'S BUSINESS.

12 (b) THIS PART 15 DOES NOT APPLY TO A DIGITAL ASSET OF AN
13 ENTITY USED BY A MANAGER, OWNER, OR OTHER PERSON IN THE COURSE
14 OF THE CONDUCT OF THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE ENTITY. THE TERMS
15 "ENTITY", "MANAGER", AND "OWNER" IN THIS PARAGRAPH (b) HAVE THE
16 SAME MEANING AS DEFINED IN SECTION 7-90-102, C.R.S.

17 **15-1-1504. User direction for disclosure of digital assets.** (1) A
18 USER MAY USE AN ON-LINE TOOL TO DIRECT THE CUSTODIAN TO DISCLOSE
19 TO A DESIGNATED RECIPIENT OR TO NOT DISCLOSE SOME OR ALL OF THE
20 USER'S DIGITAL ASSETS, INCLUDING THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
21 COMMUNICATIONS. IF THE ON-LINE TOOL ALLOWS THE USER TO MODIFY OR
22 DELETE A DIRECTION AT ALL TIMES, A DIRECTION REGARDING DISCLOSURE
23 USING AN ON-LINE TOOL OVERRIDES A CONTRARY DIRECTION BY THE USER
24 IN A WILL, TRUST, POWER OF ATTORNEY, OR OTHER RECORD.

25 (2) IF A USER HAS NOT USED AN ON-LINE TOOL TO GIVE DIRECTION
26 UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION OR IF THE CUSTODIAN HAS NOT
27 PROVIDED AN ON-LINE TOOL, THE USER MAY ALLOW OR PROHIBIT IN A

1 WILL, TRUST, POWER OF ATTORNEY, OR OTHER RECORD, DISCLOSURE TO A
2 FIDUCIARY OF SOME OR ALL OF THE USER'S DIGITAL ASSETS, INCLUDING
3 THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS SENT OR RECEIVED BY
4 THE USER.

5 (3) A USER'S DIRECTION UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OR (2) OF THIS
6 SECTION OVERRIDES A CONTRARY PROVISION IN A TERMS-OF-SERVICE
7 AGREEMENT THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE THE USER TO ACT AFFIRMATIVELY
8 AND DISTINCTLY FROM THE USER'S ASSENT TO THE TERMS OF SERVICE.

9 **15-1-1505. Terms-of-service agreement.** (1) THIS PART 15 DOES
10 NOT CHANGE OR IMPAIR A RIGHT OF A CUSTODIAN OR A USER UNDER A
11 TERMS-OF-SERVICE AGREEMENT TO ACCESS AND USE DIGITAL ASSETS OF
12 THE USER.

13 (2) THIS PART 15 DOES NOT GIVE A FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED
14 RECIPIENT ANY NEW OR EXPANDED RIGHTS OTHER THAN THOSE HELD BY
15 THE USER FOR WHOM, OR FOR WHOSE ESTATE, THE FIDUCIARY OR
16 DESIGNATED RECIPIENT ACTS OR REPRESENTS.

17 (3) A FIDUCIARY'S OR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT'S ACCESS TO DIGITAL
18 ASSETS MAY BE MODIFIED OR ELIMINATED BY A USER, BY FEDERAL LAW,
19 OR BY A TERMS-OF-SERVICE AGREEMENT IF THE USER HAS NOT PROVIDED
20 DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 15-1-1504.

21 **15-1-1506. Procedure for disclosing digital assets.** (1) WHEN
22 DISCLOSING DIGITAL ASSETS OF A USER UNDER THIS PART 15, THE
23 CUSTODIAN MAY AT ITS SOLE DISCRETION:

24 (a) GRANT A FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT FULL ACCESS
25 TO THE USER'S ACCOUNT;

26 (b) GRANT A FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT PARTIAL
27 ACCESS TO THE USER'S ACCOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PERFORM THE TASKS WITH

1 WHICH THE FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT IS CHARGED; OR

2 (c) PROVIDE A FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT A COPY IN A
3 RECORD OF ANY DIGITAL ASSET THAT, ON THE DATE THE CUSTODIAN
4 RECEIVED THE REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE, THE USER COULD HAVE
5 ACCESSED IF THE USER WERE ALIVE AND HAD FULL CAPACITY AND ACCESS
6 TO THE ACCOUNT.

7 (2) A CUSTODIAN MAY ASSESS A REASONABLE ADMINISTRATIVE
8 CHARGE FOR THE COST OF DISCLOSING DIGITAL ASSETS UNDER THIS PART
9 15.

10 (3) A CUSTODIAN NEED NOT DISCLOSE UNDER THIS PART 15 A
11 DIGITAL ASSET DELETED BY A USER.

12 (4) IF A USER DIRECTS OR A FIDUCIARY REQUESTS A CUSTODIAN TO
13 DISCLOSE UNDER THIS PART 15 SOME, BUT NOT ALL, OF THE USER'S DIGITAL
14 ASSETS, THE CUSTODIAN NEED NOT DISCLOSE THE ASSETS IF SEGREGATION
15 OF THE ASSETS WOULD IMPOSE AN UNDUE BURDEN ON THE CUSTODIAN. IF
16 THE CUSTODIAN BELIEVES THE DIRECTION OR REQUEST IMPOSES AN UNDUE
17 BURDEN, THE CUSTODIAN OR FIDUCIARY MAY SEEK AN ORDER FROM THE
18 COURT TO DISCLOSE:

19 (a) A SUBSET LIMITED BY DATE OF THE USER'S DIGITAL ASSETS;

20 (b) ALL OF THE USER'S DIGITAL ASSETS TO THE FIDUCIARY OR
21 DESIGNATED RECIPIENT;

22 (c) NONE OF THE USER'S DIGITAL ASSETS; OR

23 (d) ALL OF THE USER'S DIGITAL ASSETS TO THE COURT FOR REVIEW
24 IN CAMERA.

25 **15-1-1507. Disclosure of content of electronic communications**
26 **of deceased user.** (1) IF A DECEASED USER CONSENTED OR A COURT
27 DIRECTS DISCLOSURE OF THE CONTENTS OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

1 OF THE USER, THE CUSTODIAN SHALL DISCLOSE TO THE PERSONAL
2 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF THE USER THE CONTENT OF AN
3 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION SENT OR RECEIVED BY THE USER IF THE
4 REPRESENTATIVE GIVES THE CUSTODIAN:

5 (a) A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE IN PHYSICAL OR
6 ELECTRONIC FORM;

7 (b) A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE DEATH CERTIFICATE OF THE USER;

8 (c) A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE LETTER OF APPOINTMENT OF THE
9 REPRESENTATIVE OR A SMALL-ESTATE AFFIDAVIT OR COURT ORDER;

10 (d) UNLESS THE USER PROVIDED DIRECTION USING AN ON-LINE
11 TOOL, A COPY OF THE USER'S WILL, TRUST, POWER OF ATTORNEY, OR
12 OTHER RECORD EVIDENCING THE USER'S CONSENT TO DISCLOSURE OF THE
13 CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS; AND

14 (e) IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTODIAN:

15 (I) A NUMBER, USERNAME, ADDRESS, OR OTHER UNIQUE
16 SUBSCRIBER OR ACCOUNT IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE CUSTODIAN TO
17 IDENTIFY THE USER'S ACCOUNT;

18 (II) EVIDENCE LINKING THE ACCOUNT TO THE USER; OR

19 (III) A FINDING BY THE COURT THAT:

20 (A) THE USER HAD A SPECIFIC ACCOUNT WITH THE CUSTODIAN,
21 IDENTIFIABLE BY THE INFORMATION SPECIFIED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF
22 THIS PARAGRAPH (e);

23 (B) DISCLOSURE OF THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
24 COMMUNICATIONS OF THE USER WOULD NOT VIOLATE 18 U.S.C. SEC. 2701,
25 ET SEQ., AS AMENDED; 47 U.S.C. SEC. 222, AS AMENDED; OR OTHER
26 APPLICABLE LAW;

27 (C) UNLESS THE USER PROVIDED DIRECTION USING AN ON-LINE

1 TOOL, THE USER CONSENTED TO DISCLOSURE OF THE CONTENT OF
2 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS; OR

3 (D) DISCLOSURE OF THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
4 COMMUNICATIONS OF THE USER IS REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR
5 ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE.

6 **15-1-1508. Disclosure of other digital assets of deceased user.**

7 (1) UNLESS THE USER PROHIBITED DISCLOSURE OF DIGITAL ASSETS OR
8 THE COURT DIRECTS OTHERWISE, A CUSTODIAN SHALL DISCLOSE TO THE
9 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF A DECEASED USER A
10 CATALOG OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS SENT OR RECEIVED BY THE
11 USER AND DIGITAL ASSETS, OTHER THAN THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
12 COMMUNICATIONS, OF THE USER, IF THE REPRESENTATIVE GIVES THE
13 CUSTODIAN:

14 (a) A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE IN PHYSICAL OR
15 ELECTRONIC FORM;

16 (b) A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE DEATH CERTIFICATE OF THE USER;

17 (c) A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE LETTER OF APPOINTMENT OF THE
18 REPRESENTATIVE OR A SMALL-ESTATE AFFIDAVIT OR COURT ORDER; AND

19 (d) IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTODIAN:

20 (I) A NUMBER, USERNAME, ADDRESS, OR OTHER UNIQUE
21 SUBSCRIBER OR ACCOUNT IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE CUSTODIAN TO
22 IDENTIFY THE USER'S ACCOUNT;

23 (II) EVIDENCE LINKING THE ACCOUNT TO THE USER;

24 (III) AN AFFIDAVIT STATING THAT DISCLOSURE OF THE USER'S
25 DIGITAL ASSETS IS REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE
26 ESTATE; OR

27 (IV) A FINDING BY THE COURT THAT:

1 (A) THE USER HAD A SPECIFIC ACCOUNT WITH THE CUSTODIAN,
2 IDENTIFIABLE BY THE INFORMATION SPECIFIED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF
3 THIS PARAGRAPH (d); OR

4 (B) DISCLOSURE OF THE USER'S DIGITAL ASSETS IS REASONABLY
5 NECESSARY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE.

6 **15-1-1509. Disclosure of content of electronic communications**

7 **of principal.** (1) TO THE EXTENT A POWER OF ATTORNEY EXPRESSLY
8 GRANTS AN AGENT AUTHORITY OVER THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
9 COMMUNICATIONS SENT OR RECEIVED BY THE PRINCIPAL AND UNLESS
10 DIRECTED OTHERWISE BY THE PRINCIPAL OR THE COURT, A CUSTODIAN
11 SHALL DISCLOSE TO THE AGENT THE CONTENT IF THE AGENT GIVES THE
12 CUSTODIAN:

13 (a) A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE IN PHYSICAL OR
14 ELECTRONIC FORM;

15 (b) AN ORIGINAL OR COPY OF THE POWER OF ATTORNEY EXPRESSLY
16 GRANTING THE AGENT AUTHORITY OVER THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
17 COMMUNICATIONS OF THE PRINCIPAL;

18 (c) A CERTIFICATION BY THE AGENT, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY,
19 THAT THE POWER OF ATTORNEY IS IN EFFECT; AND

20 (d) IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTODIAN:

21 (I) A NUMBER, USERNAME, ADDRESS, OR OTHER UNIQUE
22 SUBSCRIBER OR ACCOUNT IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE CUSTODIAN TO
23 IDENTIFY THE PRINCIPAL'S ACCOUNT; OR

24 (II) EVIDENCE LINKING THE ACCOUNT TO THE PRINCIPAL.

25 **15-1-1510. Disclosure of other digital assets of principal.**

26 (1) UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT, DIRECTED BY THE
27 PRINCIPAL, OR PROVIDED BY A POWER OF ATTORNEY, A CUSTODIAN SHALL

1 DISCLOSE TO AN AGENT WITH SPECIFIC AUTHORITY OVER DIGITAL ASSETS
2 OR GENERAL AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF A PRINCIPAL A CATALOG
3 OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS SENT OR RECEIVED BY THE PRINCIPAL
4 AND DIGITAL ASSETS, OTHER THAN THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
5 COMMUNICATIONS, OF THE PRINCIPAL IF THE AGENT GIVES THE
6 CUSTODIAN:

7 (a) A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE IN PHYSICAL OR
8 ELECTRONIC FORM;

9 (b) AN ORIGINAL OR A COPY OF THE POWER OF ATTORNEY THAT
10 GIVES THE AGENT SPECIFIC AUTHORITY OVER DIGITAL ASSETS OR GENERAL
11 AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE PRINCIPAL;

12 (c) A CERTIFICATION BY THE AGENT, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY,
13 THAT THE POWER OF ATTORNEY IS IN EFFECT; AND

14 (d) IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTODIAN:

15 (I) A NUMBER, USERNAME, ADDRESS, OR OTHER UNIQUE
16 SUBSCRIBER OR ACCOUNT IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE CUSTODIAN TO
17 IDENTIFY THE PRINCIPAL'S ACCOUNT; OR

18 (II) EVIDENCE LINKING THE ACCOUNT TO THE PRINCIPAL.

19 **15-1-1511. Disclosure of digital assets held in trust when**
20 **trustee is original user.** UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT OR
21 PROVIDED IN A TRUST, A CUSTODIAN SHALL DISCLOSE TO A TRUSTEE THAT
22 IS AN ORIGINAL USER OF AN ACCOUNT ANY DIGITAL ASSET OF THE
23 ACCOUNT HELD IN TRUST, INCLUDING A CATALOG OF ELECTRONIC
24 COMMUNICATIONS OF THE TRUSTEE AND THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
25 COMMUNICATIONS.

26 **15-1-1512. Disclosure of contents of electronic**
27 **communications held in trust when trustee not original user.**

1 (1) UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT, DIRECTED BY THE USER,
2 OR PROVIDED IN A TRUST, A CUSTODIAN SHALL DISCLOSE TO A TRUSTEE
3 THAT IS NOT AN ORIGINAL USER OF AN ACCOUNT THE CONTENT OF AN
4 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION SENT OR RECEIVED BY AN ORIGINAL OR
5 SUCCESSOR USER AND CARRIED, MAINTAINED, PROCESSED, RECEIVED, OR
6 STORED BY THE CUSTODIAN IN THE ACCOUNT OF THE TRUST IF THE
7 TRUSTEE GIVES THE CUSTODIAN:

8 (a) A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE IN PHYSICAL OR
9 ELECTRONIC FORM;

10 (b) A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE TRUST INSTRUMENT OR A
11 REGISTRATION OF THE TRUST UNDER PART 1 OF ARTICLE 16 OF THIS TITLE
12 THAT INCLUDES CONSENT TO DISCLOSURE OF THE CONTENT OF
13 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS TO THE TRUSTEE;

14 (c) A CERTIFICATION BY THE TRUSTEE, UNDER PENALTY OF
15 PERJURY, THAT THE TRUST EXISTS AND THE TRUSTEE IS A CURRENTLY
16 ACTING TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST; AND

17 (d) IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTODIAN:

18 (I) A NUMBER, USERNAME, ADDRESS, OR OTHER UNIQUE
19 SUBSCRIBER OR ACCOUNT IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE CUSTODIAN TO
20 IDENTIFY THE TRUST'S ACCOUNT; OR

21 (II) EVIDENCE LINKING THE ACCOUNT TO THE TRUST.

22 **15-1-1513. Disclosure of other digital assets held in trust when**
23 **trustee not original user.** (1) UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE
24 COURT, DIRECTED BY THE USER, OR PROVIDED IN A TRUST, A CUSTODIAN
25 SHALL DISCLOSE, TO A TRUSTEE THAT IS NOT AN ORIGINAL USER OF AN
26 ACCOUNT, A CATALOG OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS SENT OR
27 RECEIVED BY AN ORIGINAL OR SUCCESSOR USER AND STORED, CARRIED, OR

1 MAINTAINED BY THE CUSTODIAN IN AN ACCOUNT OF THE TRUST AND ANY
2 DIGITAL ASSETS, OTHER THAN THE CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC
3 COMMUNICATIONS, IN WHICH THE TRUST HAS A RIGHT OR INTEREST IF THE
4 TRUSTEE GIVES THE CUSTODIAN:

5 (a) A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE IN PHYSICAL OR
6 ELECTRONIC FORM;

7 (b) A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE TRUST INSTRUMENT OR A
8 REGISTRATION OF THE TRUST UNDER PART 1 OF ARTICLE 16 OF THIS TITLE;

9 (c) A CERTIFICATION BY THE TRUSTEE, UNDER PENALTY OF
10 PERJURY, THAT THE TRUST EXISTS AND THE TRUSTEE IS A CURRENTLY
11 ACTING TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST; AND

12 (d) IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTODIAN:

13 (I) A NUMBER, USERNAME, ADDRESS, OR OTHER UNIQUE
14 SUBSCRIBER OR ACCOUNT IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE CUSTODIAN TO
15 IDENTIFY THE TRUST'S ACCOUNT; OR

16 (II) EVIDENCE LINKING THE ACCOUNT TO THE TRUST.

17 **15-1-1514. Disclosure of digital assets to conservator of**
18 **protected person.** (1) AFTER AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING UNDER
19 ARTICLE 14 OF THIS TITLE, THE COURT MAY GRANT A CONSERVATOR
20 ACCESS TO THE DIGITAL ASSETS OF A PROTECTED PERSON.

21 (2) UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT OR DIRECTED BY
22 THE USER, A CUSTODIAN SHALL DISCLOSE TO A CONSERVATOR THE
23 CATALOG OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS SENT OR RECEIVED BY A
24 PROTECTED PERSON AND ANY DIGITAL ASSETS, OTHER THAN THE CONTENT
25 OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS, IN WHICH THE PROTECTED PERSON HAS
26 A RIGHT OR INTEREST IF THE CONSERVATOR GIVES THE CUSTODIAN:

27 (a) A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE IN PHYSICAL OR

1 ELECTRONIC FORM;

2 (b) A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE COURT ORDER THAT GIVES THE
3 CONSERVATOR AUTHORITY OVER THE DIGITAL ASSETS OF THE PROTECTED
4 PERSON; AND

5 (c) IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTODIAN:

6 (I) A NUMBER, USERNAME, ADDRESS, OR OTHER UNIQUE
7 SUBSCRIBER OR ACCOUNT IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE CUSTODIAN TO
8 IDENTIFY THE ACCOUNT OF THE PROTECTED PERSON; OR

9 (II) EVIDENCE LINKING THE ACCOUNT TO THE PROTECTED PERSON.

10 (3) A CONSERVATOR WITH GENERAL AUTHORITY TO MANAGE THE
11 ASSETS OF A PROTECTED PERSON MAY REQUEST A CUSTODIAN OF THE
12 DIGITAL ASSETS OF THE PROTECTED PERSON TO SUSPEND OR TERMINATE
13 AN ACCOUNT OF THE PROTECTED PERSON FOR GOOD CAUSE. A REQUEST
14 MADE UNDER THIS SECTION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A CERTIFIED COPY
15 OF THE COURT ORDER GIVING THE CONSERVATOR AUTHORITY OVER THE
16 PROTECTED PERSON'S PROPERTY.

17 **15-1-1515. Fiduciary duty and authority.** (1) THE LEGAL
18 DUTIES IMPOSED ON A FIDUCIARY CHARGED WITH MANAGING TANGIBLE
19 PROPERTY APPLY TO THE MANAGEMENT OF DIGITAL ASSETS, INCLUDING:

20 (a) THE DUTY OF CARE;

21 (b) THE DUTY OF LOYALTY; AND

22 (c) THE DUTY OF CONFIDENTIALITY.

23 (2) A FIDUCIARY'S OR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT'S AUTHORITY WITH
24 RESPECT TO A DIGITAL ASSET OF A USER:

25 (a) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 15-1-1504, IS
26 SUBJECT TO THE APPLICABLE TERMS OF SERVICE;

27 (b) IS SUBJECT TO OTHER APPLICABLE LAW, INCLUDING COPYRIGHT

1 LAW;

2 (c) IN THE CASE OF A FIDUCIARY, IS LIMITED BY THE SCOPE OF THE
3 FIDUCIARY'S DUTIES; AND

4 (d) MAY NOT BE USED TO IMPERSONATE THE USER.

5 (3) A FIDUCIARY WITH AUTHORITY OVER THE PROPERTY OF A
6 DECEDENT, PROTECTED PERSON, PRINCIPAL, OR SETTLOR HAS THE RIGHT
7 TO ACCESS ANY DIGITAL ASSET IN WHICH THE DECEDENT, PROTECTED
8 PERSON, PRINCIPAL, OR SETTLOR HAD A RIGHT OR INTEREST AND THAT IS
9 NOT HELD BY A CUSTODIAN OR SUBJECT TO A TERMS-OF-SERVICE
10 AGREEMENT.

11 (4) A FIDUCIARY ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE FIDUCIARY'S
12 DUTIES IS AN AUTHORIZED USER OF THE PROPERTY OF THE DECEDENT,
13 PROTECTED PERSON, PRINCIPAL, OR SETTLOR FOR THE PURPOSE OF
14 APPLICABLE COMPUTER-FRAUD AND UNAUTHORIZED-COMPUTER-ACCESS
15 LAWS, INCLUDING ARTICLE 5.5 OF TITLE 18, C.R.S.

16 (5) A FIDUCIARY WITH AUTHORITY OVER THE TANGIBLE, PERSONAL
17 PROPERTY OF A DECEDENT, PROTECTED PERSON, PRINCIPAL, OR SETTLOR:

18 (a) HAS THE RIGHT TO ACCESS THE PROPERTY AND ANY DIGITAL
19 ASSET STORED IN IT; AND

20 (b) IS AN AUTHORIZED USER FOR THE PURPOSE OF
21 COMPUTER-FRAUD AND UNAUTHORIZED-COMPUTER-ACCESS LAWS,
22 INCLUDING ARTICLE 5.5 OF TITLE 18, C.R.S.

23 (6) A CUSTODIAN MAY DISCLOSE INFORMATION IN AN ACCOUNT TO
24 A FIDUCIARY OF THE USER WHEN THE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO
25 TERMINATE AN ACCOUNT USED TO ACCESS DIGITAL ASSETS LICENSED TO
26 THE USER.

27 (7) A FIDUCIARY OF A USER MAY REQUEST A CUSTODIAN TO

1 TERMINATE THE USER'S ACCOUNT. A REQUEST FOR TERMINATION MUST BE
2 IN WRITING, IN EITHER PHYSICAL OR ELECTRONIC FORM, AND
3 ACCOMPANIED BY:

4 (a) IF THE USER IS DECEASED, A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE DEATH
5 CERTIFICATE OF THE USER;

6 (b) A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE LETTER OF APPOINTMENT OF THE
7 REPRESENTATIVE OR A SMALL-ESTATE AFFIDAVIT OR COURT ORDER,
8 COURT ORDER, POWER OF ATTORNEY, OR TRUST GIVING THE FIDUCIARY
9 AUTHORITY OVER THE ACCOUNT; AND

10 (c) IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTODIAN:

11 (I) A NUMBER, USERNAME, ADDRESS, OR OTHER UNIQUE
12 SUBSCRIBER OR ACCOUNT IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE CUSTODIAN TO
13 IDENTIFY THE USER'S ACCOUNT;

14 (II) EVIDENCE LINKING THE ACCOUNT TO THE USER; OR

15 (III) A FINDING BY THE COURT THAT THE USER HAD A SPECIFIC
16 ACCOUNT WITH THE CUSTODIAN, IDENTIFIABLE BY THE INFORMATION
17 SPECIFIED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c).

18 (8) A DOMICILIARY FOREIGN PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE IS NOT
19 REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 15-13-204, OR
20 WITH ANY OTHER PROVISION OF ARTICLE 13 OF THIS TITLE, AS A CONDITION
21 TO OBTAINING DISCLOSURE OF A DIGITAL ASSET PURSUANT TO THIS PART
22 15.

23 (9) A FOREIGN CONSERVATOR IS NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH
24 THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 15-14-433 AS A CONDITION TO OBTAINING
25 DISCLOSURE OF A DIGITAL ASSET PURSUANT TO THIS PART 15.

26 **15-1-1516. Custodian compliance and immunity.** (1) NOT
27 LATER THAN SIXTY DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED

1 UNDER SECTIONS 15-1-1507 TO 15-1-1515, A CUSTODIAN SHALL COMPLY
2 WITH A REQUEST UNDER THIS PART 15 FROM A FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED
3 RECIPIENT TO DISCLOSE DIGITAL ASSETS OR TERMINATE AN ACCOUNT. IF
4 THE CUSTODIAN FAILS TO COMPLY, THE FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED
5 RECIPIENT MAY APPLY TO THE COURT FOR AN ORDER DIRECTING
6 COMPLIANCE.

7 (2) AN ORDER UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION DIRECTING
8 COMPLIANCE MUST CONTAIN A FINDING THAT COMPLIANCE IS NOT IN
9 VIOLATION OF 18 U.S.C. SEC. 2702, AS AMENDED.

10 (3) A CUSTODIAN MAY NOTIFY THE USER THAT A REQUEST FOR
11 DISCLOSURE OR TO TERMINATE AN ACCOUNT WAS MADE UNDER THIS PART
12 15.

13 (4) A CUSTODIAN MAY DENY A REQUEST UNDER THIS PART 15
14 FROM A FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT FOR DISCLOSURE OF
15 DIGITAL ASSETS OR TO TERMINATE AN ACCOUNT IF THE CUSTODIAN IS
16 AWARE OF ANY LAWFUL ACCESS TO THE ACCOUNT FOLLOWING THE
17 RECEIPT OF THE FIDUCIARY'S REQUEST.

18 (5) THIS PART 15 DOES NOT LIMIT A CUSTODIAN'S ABILITY TO
19 OBTAIN, OR TO REQUIRE A FIDUCIARY OR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT
20 REQUESTING DISCLOSURE OR TERMINATION UNDER THIS PART 15 TO
21 OBTAIN, A COURT ORDER THAT:

22 (a) SPECIFIES THAT AN ACCOUNT BELONGS TO THE PROTECTED
23 PERSON OR PRINCIPAL;

24 (b) SPECIFIES THAT THERE IS SUFFICIENT CONSENT FROM THE
25 PROTECTED PERSON OR PRINCIPAL TO SUPPORT THE REQUESTED
26 DISCLOSURE; AND

27 (c) CONTAINS A FINDING REQUIRED BY LAW OTHER THAN THIS

1 PART 15.

2 (6) A CUSTODIAN AND ITS OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS ARE
3 IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY FOR AN ACT OR OMISSION DONE IN GOOD FAITH
4 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS PART 15.

5 **15-1-1517. Uniformity of application and construction.** IN
6 APPLYING AND CONSTRUING THIS UNIFORM ACT, CONSIDERATION MUST BE
7 GIVEN TO THE NEED TO PROMOTE UNIFORMITY OF THE LAW WITH RESPECT
8 TO ITS SUBJECT MATTER AMONG STATES THAT ENACT IT.

9 **15-1-1518. Relation to electronic signatures in global and**
10 **national commerce act.** THIS PART 15 MODIFIES, LIMITS, OR SUPERSEDES
11 THE FEDERAL "ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES IN GLOBAL AND NATIONAL
12 COMMERCE ACT", 15 U.S.C. SEC. 7001, ET SEQ., BUT DOES NOT MODIFY,
13 LIMIT, OR SUPERSEDE SECTION 101(c) OF THAT ACT, 15 U.S.C. SEC.
14 7001(c), OR AUTHORIZE ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF ANY OF THE NOTICES
15 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 103(b) OF THAT ACT, 15 U.S.C. SEC. 7003(b).

16 **SECTION 2. Inclusion of official comments.** The revisor shall
17 include in the publication of the "Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to
18 Digital Assets Act", as nonstatutory matter, following each section of the
19 part, the full text of the official comments to that section contained in the
20 official volume containing the 2015 official text of "Revised Uniform
21 Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act" issued by the Uniform Law
22 Commission, with any changes in the official comments or Colorado
23 comments to correspond to Colorado changes in the uniform act. The
24 revisor of statutes shall prepare the comments for approval by the
25 committee on legal services for publication.

26 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
27 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the

1 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
2 10, 2016, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2016); except that, if a
3 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
4 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
5 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
6 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
7 November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
8 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.