

Privilege Statute

West's Code of Georgia Annotated
Title 24. Evidence (Refs & Annos)
Chapter 5. Privileges (Refs & Annos)

Ga. Code Ann., § 24-5-501

§ 24-5-501. Confidential communications excluded on grounds of public policy

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Currentness

(a) There are certain admissions and communications excluded from evidence on grounds of public policy, including, but not limited to, the following:

- (1) Communications between husband and wife;
- (2) Communications between attorney and client;
- (3) Communications among grand jurors;
- (4) Secrets of state;
- (5) Communications between psychiatrist and patient;
- (6) Communications between licensed psychologist and patient as provided in Code Section 43-39-16;
- (7) Communications between a licensed clinical social worker, clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health, licensed marriage and family therapist, or licensed professional counselor and patient;
- (8) Communications between or among any psychiatrist, psychologist, licensed clinical social worker, clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health, licensed marriage and family

therapist, and licensed professional counselor who are rendering psychotherapy or have rendered psychotherapy to a patient, regarding that patient's communications which are otherwise privileged by paragraph (5), (6), or (7) of this subsection; and

(9) Communications between accountant and client as provided by Code Section 43-3-32.

(b) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) "Psychotherapy" means the employment of psychotherapeutic techniques.

(2) "Psychotherapeutic techniques" shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-10A-3.

Credits

Laws 2011, Act 52, § 2, eff. Jan. 1, 2013.

Notes of Decisions (788)

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