



**ARIZONA STATE  
LIBRARY, ARCHIVES AND PUBLIC RECORDS**  
A DIVISION OF THE ARIZONA SECRETARY OF STATE



**General Records Retention Schedule Issued to:  
All Arizona Counties  
Public Fiduciary Records**

**Schedule Number:  
GS-1067**

- Authority:** Pursuant to ARS 41-151.12(3), only the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records has the authority to set retention periods, including the sole authority to modify, extend or decrease records retention periods. The retention periods listed herein are the required time records must be retained. Records should be promptly and orderly disposed of at the end of their retention period. Keeping records longer than the retention period poses financial, legal, audit and investigative risks to the Agency. These risks need to be considered by State and Local Agencies when there is a compelling need to retain records for a longer period of time than the approved retention period. Records required for ongoing or foreseeable official proceedings such as audits, investigations or lawsuits, must be retained until released from such official proceedings, notwithstanding the instructions of this schedule.
- Archival Value:** Records designated as Permanent on the retention schedule must not be destroyed (ARS 39-101). If it is believed that special circumstances warrant other records to be retained permanently, contact the Arizona State Archives for assistance in determining historical or archival value. All records created prior to 1912 must be retained permanently. This retention schedule does not authorize the transfer of records to any repository other than the Arizona State Archives (ARS 41-151.09).
- Disposition:** This schedule is used in conjunction with the Certificate of Records Destruction. All records disposed under this schedule must be reported on the Certificate of Records Destruction, unless transferred to the Arizona State Archives.
- Format:** Retention periods listed on this schedule apply to all records regardless of physical form or characteristics. Records, regardless of format (including electronic, paper, microfilm, etc.) not listed in this schedule or on the approved General Retention Schedule, are not authorized to be destroyed.
- Copies:** Additional copies created for convenience or reference purposes should not be retained longer than the record copy listed in this schedule. Copies do not need to be reported on the Certificate of Records Destruction when they are disposed.
- Supersedence:** **This schedule supersedes General Schedule 000-11-2, dated January 31, 2011.**

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20973	<b>Administrative Case Records</b> Probate cases with estates under \$10 000.	7 Years	After case account closed.		1/31/2011
20974	<b>Client Records, Case histories</b> Including guardianships/conservatorships, probate cases and trust cases, including consultation notes, financial ledgers and court reports.	7 Years	After case account closed.		1/31/2011
20975	<b>Client Records, Supporting financial documentation</b> Including guardianships/conservatorships, probate cases and trust cases, including receipts, statements, vouchers, banking records and other related records.	3 Years	After fiscal year created or received.		1/31/2011
20976	<b>Client Records, Tax returns</b> Including guardianships/conservatorships, probate cases and trust cases.	7 Years	After filed.		1/31/2011
20977	<b>Indigent Burial Financial Records, Approved</b>	20 Years	After burial.		1/31/2011
20978	<b>Indigent Burial Financial Records, Disallowed</b>	1 Year	After decision to disallow made.		1/31/2011
20979	<b>Mental Health Case Records</b>	7 Years	After case closed.		1/31/2011

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20980	<b>Referral Records</b> Cases investigated but referred elsewhere.	7 Years	After case referred.		1/31/2011