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MOBILE COUNTY LICENSE COMMISSION VIDEO/RECORDING POLICY

This policy establishes a protocol regarding the use of any device to video, make audio recordings, live stream, or take photographs inside Mobile County License Commission facilities.

Effective July 31, 2024, the use of any device to capture video, record audio, live stream, and/or take photographs within the designated customer service areas is prohibited unless express written consent from the License Commissioner and all parties involved has been obtained.

The Mobile County License Commission is a governmental office and a nonpublic forum. Its offices are not intended to be a place for citizens to exercise their First Amendment rights. Federal courts have established a clear right for government offices to implement and enforce policies necessary to ensure the safe, efficient, and secure conduct of government operations.

The Mobile County License Commission is lawfully dedicated to conducting business, accepting filings, processing transactions, recording documents, providing copies of records, maintaining documents, and providing information to citizens when permissible in matters, many of which are confidential or sensitive in nature and/or statutorily protected from public access (*e.g.* Driver's Privacy Protection Act, 18 U.S.C. §2721 *et seq.*). This function includes handling confidential and personal documents and assisting citizens who come to the License Commission seeking help in these matters.

Any citizen using a device to record audio and/or video and/or live stream and/or take photographs within the designated customer service areas of the Mobile County License Commission compromises this function, greatly interrupts performance of the duties of the Mobile County License Commission employees, unduly interferes with Mobile County License Commission operations, and could result in a disclosure of confidential and/or protected information. Therefore, such actions are **PROHIBITED.**

Anyone violating this policy will be asked to delete the recording or photos or end the live stream and leave the premises. Anyone refusing to abide by this policy will be considered trespassing and will be dealt with accordingly.

Dated July 31, 2024.