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# Missouri Revised Statutes

Chapter 575

Offenses Against the Administration of Justice

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## Definitions.

575.010. The following definitions shall apply to this chapter and chapter 576:

- (1) "Affidavit" means any written statement which is authorized or required by law to be made under oath, and which is sworn to before a person authorized to administer oaths;
- (2) "Government" means any branch or agency of the government of this state or of any political subdivision thereof;
- (3) "Highway" means any public road or thoroughfare for vehicles, including state roads, county roads and public streets, avenues, boulevards, parkways or alleys in any municipality;
- (4) "Judicial proceeding" means any official proceeding in court, or any proceeding authorized by or held under the supervision of a court;
- (5) "Juror" means a grand or petit juror, including a person who has been drawn or summoned to attend as a prospective juror;
- (6) "Jury" means a grand or petit jury, including any panel which has been drawn or summoned to attend as prospective jurors;

(7) "Official proceeding" means any cause, matter, or proceeding where the laws of this state require that evidence considered therein be under oath or affirmation;

(8) "Police animal" means a **dog**, horse or other animal used in law enforcement or a correctional facility, or by a municipal police department, fire department, search and rescue unit or agency, whether the animal is on duty or not on duty. The term shall include, but not be limited to, accelerant detection dogs, bomb detection dogs, narcotic detection dogs, search and rescue dogs and tracking animals;

(9) "Public record" means any document which a public servant is required by law to keep;

(10) "Testimony" means any oral statement under oath or affirmation;

(11) "Victim" means any natural person against whom any crime is deemed to have been perpetrated or attempted;

(12) "Witness" means any natural person:

(a) Having knowledge of the existence or nonexistence of facts relating to any crime; or

(b) Whose declaration under oath is received as evidence for any purpose; or

(c) Who has reported any crime to any peace officer or prosecutor; or

(d) Who has been served with a subpoena issued under the authority of any court of this state.

(L. 1977 S.B. 60, A.L. 1983 S.B. 24, A.L. 1999 H.B. 248, A.L. 2002 H.B. 1270 and H.B. 2032)

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