

**TITLE 4: ECONOMIC RESOURCES**  
**DIVISION 4: CORPORATIONS, PARTNERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS**

**§ 4684. Court-Ordered Inspection.**

(a) If a corporation does not allow a shareholder who complies with 4 CMC § 4682(a) to inspect and copy any records required by that subsection to be available for inspection, the Commonwealth Superior Court may summarily order inspection and copying of the records demanded at the corporation's expense upon application of the shareholder.

(b) If a corporation does not within a reasonable time allow a shareholder to inspect and copy any other record, the shareholder who complies with 4 CMC § 4682(b) and (c) may apply to the Commonwealth Superior Court for an order to permit inspection and copying of the records demanded. The court shall dispose of an application under this subsection on an expedited basis.

(c) If the court orders inspection and copying of the records demanded, it shall also order the corporation to pay the shareholder's costs (including reasonable counsel fees) incurred to obtain the order unless the corporation proves that it refused inspection in good faith because it had a reasonable basis for doubt about the right of the shareholder to inspect the records demanded.

(d) If the court orders inspection and copying of the records demanded, it may impose reasonable restrictions on the use or distribution of the records by the demanding shareholder.

**Source:** PL 10-7, § 1 (Bus. Corp. Reg. § 16.04).

**Commission Comment:** The cross-reference to 4 CMC § 4682(c) in subsection (b) is an error; the regulation that is the source for 4 CMC § 4682 did not specify a subsection (c).