## §8103. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings. [PL 1981, c. 126, §2 (NEW).]

1. Commissioner.

[PL 2011, c. 366, §8 (RP).]

1-A. Board. "Board" means the Board of Licensure of Professional Investigators under section 8103-A, as established under Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 29-D. [PL 2011, c. 366, §9 (NEW).]

**1-B.** Chief. "Chief" means the Chief of the State Police or the chief's designee. [PL 2011, c. 366, §10 (NEW).]

**1-C. Computer forensics.** "Computer forensics" means the use of digital forensic science that involves the examination of digital media to identify, preserve, recover and analyze information related to legal matters.

[PL 2011, c. 366, §11 (NEW).]

**2.** Investigative assistant. "Investigative assistant" means a person who acts as a professional investigator under the supervision of a licensed professional investigator in accordance with this chapter.

[PL 2011, c. 366, §12 (AMD).]

**3.** Licensee. "Licensee" means any person licensed under this chapter as a professional investigator or investigative assistant.

[PL 2011, c. 366, §13 (AMD).]

**4. Person.** "Person" means any natural person, firm, association, partnership, corporation, government agency or subdivision, or any employee or agent thereof. [PL 1981, c. 126, §2 (NEW).]

**4-A. Private investigation.** "Private investigation" means for any consideration whatsoever, to agree to obtain, or to in fact obtain information with reference to any of the following:

A. A crime or other act committed or threatened against the laws or government of the United States, any state or territory or any political subdivision of a state or territory; [PL 2011, c. 366, §14 (NEW).]

B. The identity, habits, conduct, movements, whereabouts, affiliations, associations, transactions, reputation or character of any person; [PL 2011, c. 366, §14 (NEW).]

C. The cause of or responsibility for libels, fires, losses, accidents or damage or injury to persons or property; [PL 2011, c. 366, §14 (NEW).]

D. The location, disposition or recovery of lost or stolen property; [PL 2011, c. 366, §14 (NEW).]

E. Evidence to be used before a court, board, officer or investigative committee, including evidence derived through computer forensics; or [PL 2011, c. 366, §14 (NEW).]

F. The detection of surreptitiously installed devices designed for eavesdropping or observation, or both, for video and audio devices. [PL 2011, c. 366, §14 (NEW).]
[PL 2011, c. 366, §14 (NEW).]

**5. Professional investigator.** "Professional investigator" means any person who engages in or solicits business or accepts employment to conduct private investigations.

A. [PL 2011, c. 366, §15 (RP).]

- B. [PL 2011, c. 366, §15 (RP).]
- C. [PL 2011, c. 366, §15 (RP).]
- D. [PL 2011, c. 366, §15 (RP).]
- E. [PL 2011, c. 366, §15 (RP).]

[PL 2011, c. 366, §15 (RPR).]

## SECTION HISTORY

## PL 1981, c. 126, §2 (NEW). PL 2001, c. 298, §1 (AMD). PL 2011, c. 366, §§8-15 (AMD).

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