Sec. 2-558. Legal custodians.

- (a) Each elected official is the legal custodian of personal records and the records of the office, but the official may designate a staff employee to act as the legal custodian.
- (b) Unless otherwise prohibited by law, the comptroller or the comptroller's designee shall act as legal custodian for the city council and for any committees, commissions, boards or other authorities created by ordinance or resolution of the city council.
- Unless otherwise prohibited by law, the City Clerk or its designee shall act as the legal custodian for the City Council and for any committee, commission, board or other authority created by ordinance or resolution of the City Council. The Police Chief or its designee shall act as legal custodian for all records of the City of Columbus Police Department, except the City Human Resources Administrator, or its designee, shall be the custodian of records for personnel records of Police Department employees.
- (c) For every authority not specified in subsection (a) or (b), the authority's chief administrative officer is the legal custodian for the authority, but the officer may designate a staff employee to act as the legal custodian.
- (d) Each legal custodian shall name a person to act as legal custodian in the custodian's absence or the absence of the custodian's designee.
- (e) The legal custodian shall have full legal power to render decisions and to carry out the duties of an authority under Wis. Stats. § 19.21 et seq. and this article. The designation of a legal custodian does not affect the powers and duties of an authority under this article.

(Code 1978, § 3.07(3))