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1 S 340.3. VICTIM'S RIGHT OF ACCESS TO DISCLOSURE OF THE ACCUSED'S CASE
2 STATUS. 1. "VICTIM" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL, A CORPORATION, AN UNINCORPORAT-
3 ED ASSOCIATION, A PARTNERSHIP, OR A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR INSTRUMENTAL-
4 ITY ALLEGED TO HAVE SUSTAINED PHYSICAL INJURY TO PERSON OR FINANCIAL
5 DAMAGE TO PROPERTY AS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE CRIME OR CRIMES CHARGED IN
6 AN ACCUSATORY INSTRUMENT, AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION ONE OF
7 SECTION 1.20 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE LAW.

8 2. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER TO THE CONTRARY, THE
9 VICTIM SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO REQUEST PARTICIPATION IN THE PROCEEDINGS,
10 AND SUCH REQUEST SHALL BE GRANTED BY THE COURT UNLESS IT CAN BE SHOWN
11 FOR GOOD CAUSE THAT SUCH PARTICIPATION WOULD INHIBIT THE JUDICIAL
12 PROCEEDINGS.

13 3. A VICTIM MAY OBTAIN UPON DEMAND FROM THE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
14 PROSECUTION OF THE ACCUSED, INFORMATION CONCERNING THE STATUS OF THE
15 ACCUSED'S CASE FROM THE TIME OF ARRAIGNMENT TO SENTENCING.

16 4. A VICTIM HAS THE RIGHT TO KNOW WHAT PLEA THE ACCUSED HAS BEEN
17 OFFERED.

18 5. A VICTIM HAS THE RIGHT TO KNOW WHAT HEARING OR TRIAL DATE HAS BEEN
19 ASSIGNED FOR TRYING THE ACCUSED.

20 6. NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 341.1 OF THIS ARTICLE,
21 THE VICTIM HAS THE RIGHT TO ATTEND THE HEARING AND/OR TRIAL.

22 S 4. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
23 it shall have become a law.