How You May Report Mine Safety Violations

The Virginia Mineral Mine Safety Act requires that the mine operator, or his agent, clearly post contact information for persons wishing to report violations of State mining laws.

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Section 45.2-1164 of Mineral Mine Safety Laws Of Virginia allow any person to file an anonymous complaint; all investigation reports shall keep the identity of the person filing the complaint confidential. Complaints may be reported to any person listed above.

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