

## NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

## Administrative Complaint Disposition – Request Not Within the Council's Jurisdiction to Adjudicate (Request Made to the Legislature)

**GRC Complaint No.:** 2011-123

Complainant: James Sage

Custodian: Office of Senator Jennifer Beck – Kevin Isreal

**Date of Request:** April 6, 2011 **Date of Complaint:** April 15, 2011<sup>1</sup>

**Complaint Disposition:** The Complainant asserts a denial of access to records requested on April 6, 2011. However, the GRC does not have jurisdiction over records requests made of a Senator's office, as it falls under the Legislative Branch of government.

**Applicable OPRA Provision:** <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1A-7.g. provides that: "The council shall not have jurisdiction over the Judicial or Legislative Branches of State Government or any agency, officer, or employee of those branches."

This is the final administrative determination in this matter. Any further review should be pursued in the Appellate Division of the Superior Court of New Jersey within forty-five (45) days. Information about the appeals process can be obtained from the Appellate Division Clerk's Office, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 W. Market St. PO Box 006, Trenton, NJ 08625-0006.

**Effective Date of Disposition:** May 24, 2011

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**Executive Director** 

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The GRC received the Denial of Access Complaint on said date.