

NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

Administrative Complaint Disposition – No Records Responsive to the Request Exist

GRC Complaint No.: 2008-246

Complainant: Michelle Ewing

Custodian: NJ Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Consumer Affairs,

Robert Campanelli

Date of Request: October 9, 2008 **Date of Complaint:** October 21, 2008¹

Complaint Disposition: The Custodian certifies that he responded to the Complainant's OPRA request in writing within the statutorily mandated response time indicating that no records responsive to the OPRA request exist. Additionally, the Complainant has failed to provide any evidence to contradict the Custodian's certification.

Applicable OPRA Provision: OPRA defines a government record as:

"... any paper, written or printed book, document, drawing, map, plan, photograph, microfilm, data processed or image processed document, information stored or maintained electronically or by sound-recording or in a similar device, or any copy thereof, that has been *made*, *maintained or kept on file* ... or *that has been received* in the course of his or its official business ..." (Emphasis added.) N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1.

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: December 18, 2008

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Executive Director

Date: December 10, 2008

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¹ The GRC received the Denial of Access Complaint on said date.