



NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

Administrative Complaint Disposition – No Records Responsive to the Request Exist

Alphonso Brunson
Complainant

GRC Complaint No. 2013-248

v.

State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General
Custodial Agency

Custodian of Record: Bruce Solomon
Request Received by Custodian: July 17, 2013
GRC Complaint Received: August 19, 2013

Complaint Disposition: The Custodian certifies in the Statement of Information that he responded to the Complainant 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.¹

Applicable OPRA Provision: "'Government record' or 'record' means any paper, written or printed book, document, ... that has been made, maintained or kept on file in the course of his or its official business by any officer, commission, agency or authority of the State ... or that has been received in the course of his or its official business ..." 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: November 19, 2013

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¹ The GRC notes that the Complainant's Denial of Access Complaint appeared to be challenging a Superior Court decision denying the Complainant's motion for discovery. The GRC has no authority to adjudicate complaints regarding discovery. However, the Complainant subsequently submitted the Custodian's July 19, 2013 response to the Complainant's July 17, 2013 OPRA request and thus the GRC proceeded with its adjudication based on this OPRA request.