

NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

Administrative Order - In Camera Review

Frank Liberato Complainant GRC Complaint No. 2022-198

v.

Township of Long Hill (Morris) Custodial Agency

Custodian of Record: Megan Phillips

Request Received by Custodian: April 16, 2022

GRC Complaint Received: May 16, 2022

Order: The GRC must conduct an *in camera* review of the March 28, 2022 e-mail to determine the validity of the Custodian's assertion that those records were exempt under the cited exemptions. N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1; N.J.S.A. 47:1A-10. See Paff v. N.J. Dep't of Labor, Bd. of Review, 379 N.J. Super. 346, 355 (App. Div. 2005). Thus, the Custodian shall deliver to the Council in a sealed envelope nine (9) copies of the requested redacted and unredacted e-mail and a document or redaction index.²

This is an Administrative Order requiring compliance within ten (10) business days after receipt thereof. The Custodian shall also simultaneously deliver³ certified confirmation of compliance with this Order, in accordance with <u>N.J. Court Rules</u>, <u>R.</u> 1:4-4,⁴ to the Executive Director.

Effective Date of Disposition: March 28, 2023

Prepared By: Frank F. Caruso

Executive Director

Date: March 21, 2023

Distribution Date: March 30, 2023

¹ The *in camera* records may be sent overnight mail, regular mail, or be hand-delivered, at the discretion of the Custodian, as long as the GRC physically receives them by the deadline.

² The document or redaction index should identify the record and/or each redaction asserted and the lawful basis for the denial.

³ The certified confirmation of compliance, including supporting documentation, may be sent overnight mail, regular mail, e-mail, facsimile, or be hand-delivered, at the discretion of the Custodian, as long as the GRC physically receives it by the deadline.

⁴ "I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment."