



NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL
Administrative Complaint Disposition – Unable to Locate Complainant

John S. Hilkevich
Complainant

GRC Complaint No. 2022-300

v.

N.J. Department of Corrections
Custodial Agency

Custodian of Record: John Falvey
Request Received by Custodian: May 20, 2022
GRC Complaint Received: July 5, 2022

Complaint Disposition: Although the Custodian has already submitted a Statement of Information, in order to prevent the unnecessary expenditure of administrative resources by the GRC to process this matter for the benefit of the parties, said complaint should be dismissed because the GRC cannot contact the Complainant¹ and because they have made no attempt to contact the GRC regarding this complaint. See Swindell v. N.J. Dep’t of Env’tl. Prot. and Energy, Bureau of Coastal and Land Use Enforcement, OAL Docket No. ESA 5675-92 (Initial Decision 1993) (dismissing a complaint for failure to appear); Siddeeq v. N.J. Dep’t of Corr., GRC Complaint No. 2009-182, *et seq.* (November 2009).

Applicable OPRA Provision: “The Government Records Council shall . . . receive, hear, review and adjudicate a complaint filed by any person concerning a denial of access to a government record by a record custodian . . .” N.J.S.A. 47:1A-7(b) (emphasis added).

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: January 27, 2026²

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Date: January 20, 2026
Distribution Date: January 29, 2026

¹ This Complaint was reassigned, and a corresponding letter was sent to the Complainant on December 23, 2024. This letter was returned from the New Jersey Department of Corrections (“DOC”) on January 5, 2025 noting that the Complainant was released. The GRC then contacted DOC for the last known address and a letter was sent to the Complainant on February 10, 2025. No response has been received from the Complainant to date.

² This complaint was prepared for adjudication at the Council’s March 25, 2025 meeting, but could not be adjudicated due to lack of quorum.