



NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL
Administrative Order – Motion to File Within Time Granted

Roberto Feliz Betancourt
Complainant

GRC Complaint No. 2025-321

v.

Bayonne Housing Authority (Hudson)
Custodial Agency

Custodian of Record: John T. Mahon
Request Received by Custodian: August 8, 2025
GRC Complaint Received: October 27, 2025

Order: The Complainant verified the instant complaint on October 14, 2025,¹ alleging he was denied access to her OPRA request on August 19, 2025, or sixty-nine (69) days prior. The Complainant stated that this complaint was a refile from Betancourt v. Bayonne Hous. Auth. (Hudson), GRC Complaint No. 2025-229 (October 2025), which was dismissed as an “Unripe Cause of Action”. The Complainant further argued that the Bayonne Housing Authority only responded to one (1) OPRA request on October 15, 2025 and still had not responded to two (2) remaining subject OPRA requests.

Upon review, the Complainant has shown good cause to permit the complaint to proceed out of time. Specifically, the Complainant’s original complaint was dismissed on a procedural basis after the expiration of the statute of limitations and he expediently refiled the complaint shortly after the Council’s decision. Therefore, given the proximity to the Council’s decision in Betancourt and the instant filing, this complaint shall be accepted as filed within time. N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.1(a).

Effective Date of Disposition: June 30, 2026

Prepared By: Frank F. Caruso
Executive Director

Date: June 23, 2026

Distribution Date: July 1, 2026

¹ The GRC received the Complainant’s Denial of Access Complaint, which was verified on October 14, 2025, on October 20, 2025. The GRC returned the complaint as incomplete on the same day because it failed to include a motion to file within time. The Complainant later properly filed a completed complaint on October 27, 2025, including a motion to file within time.