

NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL Administrative Complaint Disposition – Complaint Untimely Filed

Jacqueline Peoples Complainant GRC Complaint No. 2025-34

v.

Essex County Sheriff's Office Custodial Agency

Custodian of Record: George Seylaz

Request Received by Custodian: October 29, 2024 GRC Complaint Received: February 7, 2025

Complaint Disposition: The Complainant verified the instant complaint on February 7, 2025, alleging she was denied access to her OPRA request on October 30, 2024, or one hundred (100) days prior. However, the complaint was filed beyond the 45-day statute of limitations. Therefore, this complaint shall be dismissed.

Applicable OPRA Provision: "A person who is denied access to a government record by the custodian of the record, at the option of the requestor who is accurately identified by name, may, within 45 days of the date of denial . . . file a complaint with the Government Records Council" N.J.S.A. 47:1A-6.

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: March 25, 2025

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Staff Attorney

Date: March 18, 2025

Distribution Date: March 27, 2025

¹ The Complainant did not include a motion showing good cause to accept the Denial of Access Complaint within time. N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.1(a).