



**Minutes of the Government Records Council  
September 27, 2011 – Closed Session**

The Council convened in closed session at 1:15 p.m. in Conference Room 129 of the Department of Community Affairs, Trenton, New Jersey. In attendance were: Robin Berg Tabakin (Chairwoman), Denise Parkinson Vetti (designee of Department of Education Acting Commissioner Christopher D. Cerf), and Charles Richman (designee of Department of Community Affairs Commissioner Lori Grifa).

Also in attendance were GRC Staff: Catherine Starghill (Executive Director), Karyn Gordon (In-House Counsel), Dara Lownie (Communications Manager), Brigitte Hairston (Secretary), and Debra Allen (Deputy Attorney General).

A motion was made by Ms. Vetti and seconded by Mr. Richman to go into closed session. The motion was adopted by a unanimous vote.

The Council met in closed session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b(7) to receive legal advice and discuss anticipated litigation in which the public body may become a party in the following matters:

1. Jesse Wolosky v. Township of Sparta (Sussex) (2008-219)
2. Jesse Wolosky v. Township of Sparta (Sussex) (2008-277)

The Council discussed the draft findings and recommendations in these two (2) complaints regarding prevailing party attorney's fees. The Council discussed the legal standard for awarding prevailing party attorney's fees. The Council reviewed the Administrative Law Judge's Initial Decision in these matters regarding the award of enhancements to prevailing party attorney's fees.

A motion was made by Mr. Richman and seconded by Ms. Vetti to end the closed session. The motion was adopted by a unanimous vote.

The closed session meeting concluded at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Denise Parkinson Vetti, Secretary

Date Approved: October 25, 2011