



**Minutes of the Government Records Council
May 20, 2025 – Closed Session**

The Council convened in closed session at 1:41 p.m. telephonically. In attendance were John Alexy (Chairman) (designee of Department of Community Affairs Commissioner, Jacquelyn A. Suarez), Robin Berg Tabakin, Esq. (Vice Chair), Christopher Brown, Esq. (Public Member), Ronald Chen, Esq. (Public Member) and Steven Ritardi, Esq. (Secretary).

Also, in attendance were GRC Staff: Frank F. Caruso (Executive Director), Rosemond Bordzoe (Secretary), John Stewart (Mediator), Samuel Rosado (Staff Attorney), Jennifer Howell (Staff Attorney), Maria Rossi (Staff Attorney), and Deputy Attorney General Mark Gulbranson.

Mr. Alexy called for a motion to go into closed session. Mr. Ritardi made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Berg Tabakin. The Council adopted the motion by a unanimous vote.

The Council met in closed session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7) and N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.8(g) to review records *in camera* and receive legal advice in the following matters:

- Aakash Dalal v. NJ Department of Law & Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice (2022-55) *In Camera* Review (N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.8(g)).

Mr. Rosado introduced GRC Complaint No. 2022-55 and explained the reasoning behind his proposed findings. Mr. Ritardi and Mr. Chen asked for clarification of the proposed findings, which Mr. Rosado addressed. Mr. Caruso provided some case history on the issues raised by the Council and suggested an amendment to the proposed conclusions. The Council reviewed the records *in camera* and agreed to the conclusions as amended.

Mr. Alexy called for a motion to end the closed session. Mr. Ritardi made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Chen. The Council adopted the motion by a unanimous vote. The closed session meeting concluded at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

John Alexy, Chair

Date Approved: June 24, 2025