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**NOTICE OF MEETING**  
**Government Records Council**  
**July 29, 2025**

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, notice is hereby given that the Government Records Council will hold a regular meeting, at which formal action may be taken, commencing at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 29, 2025, via Office Teams. Members of the public may attend the meeting by utilizing the following call-in information:

Telephone Number: 1-856-338-7074

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The agenda, to the extent presently known, is listed below. The public session and consideration of cases is expected to commence at 1:30 p.m. remotely.

**I. Public Session:**

Call to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Meeting Notice  
Roll Call

**II. Executive Director's Report**

**III. Closed Session**

- Frank Liberato v. Township of Long Hill (Morris) (2022-198) *In Camera* Review (N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.8(g)).

**IV. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

June 24, 2025, Open Session Meeting Minutes

**V. New Business – Cases Scheduled for Consent Agenda Administrative Complaint Disposition Adjudication \***

An “Administrative Complaint Disposition” means a decision by the Council as to whether to accept or reject the Executive Director’s recommendation of dismissal based on

jurisdictional, procedural or other defects of the complaint. The Executive Director's recommended reason for the Administrative Disposition is under each complaint below.

**A. Administrative Disposition Adjudications with Recusals (Consent Agenda):**

1. John S. Hilkevich v. NJ Department of Corrections (2022-300) **(SR Recusal)**
2. Miguel Ramos v. NJ Department of Corrections (2022-531) **(SR Recusal)**
3. Patrick Bender v. Morris County Sheriff's Office (2022-656) **(SR Recusal)**
4. Bianca Barber v. City of Newark (Essex) (2025-9) **(SR Recusal)**
5. Jennie Santiago v. City of Jersey City, Division of City Planning (Hudson) (2025-12) **(SR Recusal)**

**B. Administrative Disposition Adjudications with no Recusals (Consent Agenda): None**

**C. Administrative Disposition Uncontested, Voluntary Withdrawals by Complainant (No Adjudication of the Council is Required):**

1. John Bellocchio v. Mercer County Prosecutor's Office (2023-191)
2. Henry R. Marek v. City of Somers Point (Atlantic) (2023-196)
3. Diane M. Melody v. Long Branch Board of Education (Monmouth) (2023-230)
4. Teresa Gorgia v. Randolph Township School District (Morris) (2023-238)
5. Howard Mann v. Borough of Englewood Cliffs (Bergen) (2024-214)
6. Christopher Johnson v. Port Authority of NY & NJ (2024-236)
7. Christopher Johnson v. Port Authority of NY & NJ (2024-237)
8. Cynthia McBride v. Borough of Pitman (Gloucester) (2025-43)
9. Perrault Jean-Paul v. City of Paterson Police Department (Passaic) (2025-54)
10. Jim Brennenstuhl v. City of North Wildwood (Cape May) (2025-72)
11. Robert L. Astrachan (o/b/o Maria Lobato) v. County of Union (2025-75)
12. Jose L. Gonzalez, Jr. v. Town of West Orange (Essex) (2025-94)
13. Charles D. Whelan, III, Esq. (o/b/o Muhammad Ali Shah) v. City of Newark (Essex) (2025-95)
14. Ava Blanchard v. NJ State Police (2025-99)
15. Christopher Connerton v. Egg Harbor Township Police Department (Atlantic) (2025-106)
16. Frank James v. Borough of Roselle (Union) (2025-150)
17. Andrew Wilson (o/b/o Melissa Baxter, Esq.) v. City of Millville (Cumberland) (2025-165)
18. Michael David Holloway v. NJ Turnpike Authority (2025-170)

**VI. New Business – Cases Scheduled for Consent Agenda Administrative Order**

An "Administrative order" means an order issued by the Council requiring the records custodian or the complainant to perform a specific action in furtherance of the adjudication of a pending denial of access complaint or taking other actions deemed appropriate to adjudicate a complaint in an expedited manner. The Executive Director's recommended reason for the Administrative Order is under each complaint below.

**A. Administrative Orders with Recusals (Consent Agenda):**

1. Dan Halper v. Rutgers University (2023-141) **(RC & SR Recusal)**

**B. Administrative Orders with No Recusals (Consent Agenda):**

1. Jiseong Kim v. NJ Motor Vehicle Commission (2025-107)
2. Steven Van Wingerden v. Rockaway Township (Morris) (2025-134)

**VII. New Business – Cases Scheduled for Individual Complaint Adjudication**

The Executive Director’s recommended action is under each complaint below.

**A. Individual Complaint Adjudications with Recusals:**

1. Perrault Jean Paul v. City of Jersey City (Hudson) (2022-317) **(SR Recusal)**
2. Kevin Lawrence Conley v. County of Hudson (2022-438) **(SR Recusal)**
3. Scott Madlinger v. City of Jersey City (Hudson) (2022-525) **(SR Recusal)**
4. Andre Graves-Byrd v. NJ Department of Corrections (2022-608) **(SR Recusal)**
5. Brian Scott Morton v. NJ Civil Service Commission (2023-138) **(SR Recusal)**
6. John Paff v. Township of Edison (Middlesex) (2023-168) **(SR Recusal)**
7. John Paff v. City of Jersey City (Hudson) (2023-252) **(SR Recusal)**
8. Maria Diamonte v. Rutgers University (2022-355) **(RC & SR Recusals)**
9. Maria Diamonte v. Rutgers University (2022-388) **(RC & SR Recusals)**
10. Maria Diamonte v. Rutgers University (2022-398) **(RC & SR Recusals)**

**B. Individual Complaint Adjudications with no Recusals:**

1. Rotimi Owoh, Esq. (o/b/o African American Data & Research Institute) v. Ewing Police Department (Mercer) (2022-81)
2. Rotimi Owoh, Esq. (o/b/o African American Data & Research Institute & Baffi Obafemi) v. City of Northfield Police Department (Atlantic) (2022-175)
3. Frank Liberato v. Township of Long Hill (Morris) (2022-198)
4. Anonymous v. Ocean County Sheriff’s Office (2022-628)
5. Kevin Alexander v. Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders (2022-661)
6. Kevin Alexander v. Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders (2023-14)
7. Luis Eduardo Vergara v. Borough of New Providence (Union) (2023-27)
8. Greg Zagaja v. Borough of Wallington (Bergen) (2023-87)
9. Thomas Ciszak v. City of Trenton (Mercer) (2023-148)

10. Jack Berger v. Woodbridge Township School District (Middlesex) (2023-164)
11. Jack Berger v. Woodbridge Township School District (Middlesex) (2023-165)

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12. Charles Urban v. North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District (Hunterdon) (2023-181)
13. Scott Madlinger v. Borough of Seaside Heights (Ocean) (2023-190)
14. Abussamaa Rasul Ramziddin v. Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office (2023-204)
15. Caleb L. McGillvary v. NJ Office of the Governor (2023-212)
16. Caleb L. McGillvary v. Port Authority of NY & NJ (2023-213)
17. Rafael Martinez v. City of Long Branch (Monmouth) (2023-215)

18. Abussamaa Rasul Ramziddin v. NJ Department of Law & Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice (2023-223)
19. Angelous Jackson v. Somerset County Prosecutor's Office (2023-229)
20. Donald Albano v. Warren County Prosecutor's Office (2023-250)
21. Gerard J. Toto, Jr. v. North Stelton Volunteer Fire Company (Middlesex) (2024-254)
22. Daniel Opdyke v. City of Trenton Department of Health & Human Services (Mercer) (2025-76)

**VIII. Court Decisions of GRC Complaints on Appeal:**

**IX. Complaints Adjudicated in NJ Superior Court & NJ Supreme Court:**

- Petrossian v. Borough of Rutherford, 2025 N.J. Super. Unpub. LEXIS 1249 (App. Div. 2025)

**X. Complaints Adjudicated in U.S. District Court:**

**XI. Public Comment:**

The public comment period is limited to providing an opportunity for speakers to present suggestions, views and comments relevant to the Council's functions and responsibilities. In the interest of time, speakers shall be limited to **five (5) minutes** per the GRC's By-Laws. Speakers shall not be permitted to make oral or written testimony regarding pending or scheduled adjudications.\*

**XII. Adjournment**

\*Neither attorneys nor other representatives of the parties are required to attend this meeting nor will they be permitted to make oral or written comment during the adjudication.