

Board Member Nessel:

This letter is in response to the above-referenced OPRA requests which were sent to the Newfield Board of Education ("Board") and deemed received by the Board on November 1, 2023. As such, in light of the intervening holiday, the seven business day deadline to respond is November 14, 2023. Your requests sought the following:

*Any and all communication including but not limited to emails, memo's and faxes exchanged between Joe Giambri and all Newfield Board of Education Solicitor's assigned to the Newfield Board of Education by the Porzio Law Group from November 1, 2022 up to and including November 1, 2023.*

*and*

*Any and all communications including but not limited to emails, memo's and faxes exchanged between Henry Berman and Joe Giambri regarding Newfield Board of Education Meetings from November 1, 2022 to November 1, 2023. (emphasis added).*

Because these requests were made under OPRA it must comply with the rules and regulations which govern such requests. N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. Your request for all communication with Newfield Board of Education Solicitors from November 1, 2022 to November 1, 2023 is denied. These communications constitute attorney-client privileged communication. N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1(9) (excluding from OPRA "[a]ny record within the attorney-client privilege" and permitting the redaction of attorney invoices).

Your request for any and all communications between Henry Berman and Joe Giambri regarding Board of Education Meetings is granted. Eight such emails are attached to this response and have been provided to you. Redactions in the to and from lines of these emails are to protect personally identifying information and personal contact information.