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Subject: [External Email]OPRA request - Contract Between Patrick Madden, Esq, and the Monroe Township Board of Education

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Dear Monroe Township School District (Middlesex),

Please accept this electronic request for public records made under OPRA and the common law right of access. I am not required to fill out an official form or use a particular software platform to submit my request per NJSA 47:1A-6(f), which states that an email from a requestor including all of the information required on the adopted form shall suffice in place of a completed form as a valid government record request.

I HAVE NOT been convicted of any indictable offense under the laws of New Jersey, any other state, or the United States.

I WILL NOT use the requested government records for a commercial purpose.

I AM NOT seeking records in connection with a legal proceeding.

Records requested:

The contract or letter of agreement between Patrick Madden Esq. and the Monroe Township Board of Education, as approved during the August 27, 2025 Board Meeting, in his role as an Investigator in the Chanley matter, at the hourly rate of \$205.00.

My preferred delivery method for response(s) to this request is by E-mail as attachments. Please confirm you have received this request. If you are not the custodian of records, please forward my request to that person and provide their email address to me for future reference.

Yours faithfully,

Transparency Over Politics

Please deliver records electronically via email to the below UNIQUE address for all replies to this request:

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Is OPRA@monroe.k12.nj.us the wrong address for OPRA requests to Monroe Township School District (Middlesex)? If so, please contact us using this form:

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October 8, 2025

VIA EMAIL: opra+request-81372-791594fd@requests.opramachine.com
Transparency Over Politics

RE: OPRA Request dated September 28, 2025

Dear Sir/Madam:

On behalf of the Custodian of Records for Monroe Township Board of Education ("Board" and/or "District"), I am writing this letter in response to your request for records pursuant to the Open Public Records Act ("OPRA") submitted via email on Sunday, September 28, 2025 and received Monday, September 29, 2025.

More specifically, your request seeks access to:

"The contract or letter of agreement between Patrick Madden Esq. and the Monroe Township Board of Education, as approved during the August 27, 2025 Board Meeting, in his role as an Investigator in the Chanley matter, at the hourly rate of \$205.00."

Enclosed please find the retainer agreement between the Board and Patrick Madden Esq., approved during the August 27, 2025 Board Meeting, which has been redacted to protect confidential attorney-client information pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1 and confidential personnel information pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-10, N.J.A.C. 6A:32-4.3, and N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(8).

As the documents identified above are being provided to you in electronic format only, there is no charge associated with your request. This correspondence and the enclosed documents constitute the Board's full and complete response to your OPRA request and therefore, your OPRA request is closed.

Sincerely,

Lisa Goldstein

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OPRA & Central Registration Secretary

SUCCESS IS ALWAYS A TEAM EFFORT!!

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CERTIFIED BY THE SUPREME
COURT OF NEW JERSEY AS A
CIVIL TRIAL ATTORNEY

September 5, 2025

Via Email

Laura Allen, CPA
Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Monroe Township Board of Education
423 Buckelew Avenue
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

RE: Monroe Township Board of Education
Employee Complaint Investigation

Dear Ms. Allen:

This letter will serve to memorialize that Monroe Township Board of Education ("the Board") has requested to engage the undersigned as special counsel in order to investigate allegations related to [REDACTED]. The investigation will be performed in accordance with the Board's policies and procedures. It is my understanding that the Board wishes me to conduct a thorough and impartial investigation, and to make the results of that investigation known to the Board upon its conclusion. This engagement letter supersedes any prior engagement letters.

The Board commits to make available any employee, administrator or contractor of the Board for interviews. Further, the Board commits to retain and provide to me all books and records, document and files, electronically stored information, emails, recordings, personal notes and memoranda as requested, and as necessary for the investigation.

The Board agrees to pay for services on an hourly rate based upon the amount of time actually spent. The hourly rate for all legal services will be \$205.00. I will render periodic invoices for services and expenses, usually on a monthly basis, or upon the conclusion of the investigation, whichever is sooner. The expenses may include such things as copying charges, and any expenses not considered part of the firm's normal overhead. The Board agrees that the invoices will be paid within thirty (30) days.

I will supply a written report of findings, conclusions and, if appropriate, recommendations at the conclusion of the investigation, and will be available to explain my findings to the Board.

If this letter accurately records the agreement between the undersigned and the Board, please have it executed where indicated below.

Very truly yours,

Law Offices of Patrick J. Madden, LLC

/s/ Patrick J. Madden

Patrick J. Madden, Esquire

PJM:

I hereby understand, agree and acknowledge that this agreement represents my understanding with the Law Offices of Patrick J. Madden, LLC relative to its retention by Monroe Township Board of Education and that I have read and understand the contents of this agreement.

Monroe Township Board of Education

Dated: 9/8/25

By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dawn Quinn", is written over a horizontal line.