

GLEN ROCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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VIA EMAIL

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Re: Open Public Records Act Request

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please accept this correspondence in response to the Open Public Records Act ("OPRA") request you submitted to the Glen Rock Board of Education ("Board") received May 16, 2022, to be provided by the seventh business day which is Wednesday, May 25, 2022. Your request seeks the following documents or records:

Dr. Charleston's annual evaluations starting in June 2019 until present.

Please note that your request is DENIED. OPRA requestors have limited access to a public employee's personnel records, which are otherwise exempt from the definition of a "government record." Indeed, OPRA indicates that "personnel records shall not be made available for public access, except that an individual's name, title, position, salary, payroll record, length of service, date of separation and the reason therefor...shall be a government record." [1] Because Dr. Charleston's annual evaluations are personnel records not subject to any exception under OPRA, your request is denied.

If your request for access to a government record under OPRA has been denied or unfilled within the seven business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the Board's decision to deny access. At your option, you may either institute a proceeding in the Superior Court of New Jersey or file a complaint with the Government Records Council ("GRC") by completing the Denial of Access Complaint Form.

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You may contact the GRC by toll-free telephone at (866)-850-0511, by mail at P.O. Box 819, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, by email at grc@dca.state.nj.us, or at their website at www.state.nj.us/grc. The GRC can also answer other questions about the law. All questions regarding complaints filed in Superior Court should be directed to the Court Clerk in your County.

If you should have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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[1] N.J.S.A. 47:1A-10.

