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BY EMAIL ONLY TO: Anonymous <opra+request-53348-22126549@requests.opramachine.com>

September 28, 2023

Anonymous

Re: Open Public Records Act Request

Dear Anonymous:

The District is in receipt of your request for records under the Open Public Records Act. Specifically, your request sought:

- “1) Attorney invoices from the Porzio law firm broken down by charges detailed by the hour/service provided for July 2023 & August 2023. If possible, please provide this information in a similar format as prior months.
- 2) Record of payments made to the Porzio law firm for the period 7/1/2023-8/31/2023
- 3) Records of payments to ALL other law firms EXCLUDING the Porzio law firm.”

Request 1: Your request is granted in part and denied in part. Your request for attorney invoices from the Porzio law firm broken down by charges detailed by the hour/service provided for August 2023 is denied because the District has no records responsive to this request. See *Klock v. Newark Public Schools*, GRC Complaint No. 2013-242 (July 2014) (Finding that Custodian properly denied a request where there were no responsive documents); *Pusterhofer v. N.J. Dep’t of Education*, GRC Complaint No. 2005-49 (July 2005) (“The Custodian has certified that the requested record does not exist. Therefore, the requested record cannot be released and there was no unlawful denial of access”). However, your request for attorney invoices from the Porzio law firm broken down by charges detailed by the hour/service provided for July 2023 is granted. Attached hereto please find responsive records. Please be advised that the records may have been redacted in accordance with the attorney-client privilege, the work-product doctrine, the privacy exception, the student information exception and/or the personnel records exception. See N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1; *L.R. v. Camden City Pub. Sch. Dist.*, 238 N.J. 547, 550 (2019).

Requests 2&3: Your request is granted. Attached hereto please find responsive documents.

Sincerely,



Lisa Goldstein
OPRA Secretary/Custodian of Records

cc: Dr. Chari Robynne Chanley, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. David Disler, Esq., Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C.