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September 19, 2019

Ms. Nancy Gomes
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Re: OPRA Request – #2019-713

Dear Ms. Gomes:

The City of Linden (the "City") is in receipt of your public records request, received August 5, 2019, which was submitted pursuant to the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. ("OPRA").

You requested the following: See attached

Please be advised that as per the Personnel Division, the regulatory authority you cite in your request is inapplicable to the City's form of government. Further, there are no City requirements consistent with the regulatory authority you cite in your request. Therefore, there are no documents responsive to your request.

If you feel that your request for access to a government record has been improperly denied or unfilled within the seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision of the City of Linden to deny access. I have attached information, from the Government Records Council regarding the process to file a complaint.

Sincerely yours,

Jennifer Honan
Deputy Records Custodian
City of Linden

Joe Bodek

#2019-713

From: Nancy Go <opra+request-6637-8380934c@requests.opramachine.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2019 9:51 PM
To: Joe Bodek
Subject: OPRA request - Opra

Dear Linden City,

This is a request for public records made under OPRA and the common law right of access. I am not required to fill out an official form. Please acknowledge receipt of this message.

Records requested:

Proof of the following requirements for city of linden employee/employees with Chief of Staff title as per NJ civil service

REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

Graduation from an accredited college with a Bachelor's degree.

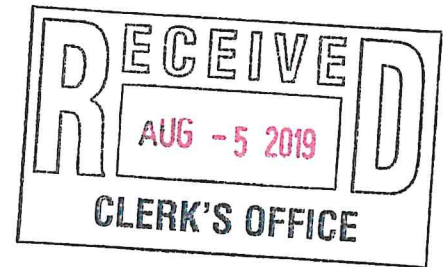
EXPERIENCE:

Six (6) years of managerial experience in public administration.

NOTE: A Master's degree in Public or Business Administration or related field may be substituted for one (1) year of experience.

Yours faithfully,

Nancy Go



Please use deliver records electronically via email to the below UNIQUE address for all replies to this request:
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https://opramachine.com/change_request/new?body=linden_city

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New Jersey Government Records Council ("GRC")



What to do if your request for a record has been denied

The New Jersey Open Public Records Act (N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.) permits a person who believes that he or she has been unlawfully denied access to a public record either to file a complaint with the GRC or to file suit in Superior Court to challenge the decision and compel disclosure. This poster describes the procedures for taking such actions.

To file a complaint with the GRC:

- Visit the GRC's website at www.nj.gov/grc for information and to register your complaint. In the alternative, you may contact the GRC by telephone at 1-866-850-0511 or by e-mail at government.records@dca.nj.gov.
- When you file the written complaint, the GRC will offer both you and the public agency non-adversarial, impartial mediation. If mediation is not accepted or is not successful, the GRC will investigate the complaint.
- In some cases, the GRC can award attorney's fees to a complainant or impose a fine against a records custodian.
- There is no fee to file a complaint with the GRC.

To file a complaint in Superior Court:

- A requestor may start a summary (expedited) lawsuit in the Superior Court. A written complaint and order to show cause must be filed with the court.
- The court requires a filing fee, and you must serve the lawsuit papers on the appropriate parties.
- The court will schedule a hearing to resolve the dispute.
- If you disagree with the court's decision, you may appeal the decision to the Appellate Division of the Superior Court.
- If you are successful, you may be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees.
- You may wish to consult with an attorney to learn about initiating and pursuing a summary lawsuit in the Superior Court.
- Filing suit in Superior Court may result in a faster resolution, because the courts adjudicate cases every day, whereas the GRC only meets once a month.

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