



LOWER TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Dear UC Research,

Your Open Public Records Act (OPRA 20-091) request dated May 27, 2020 was received by the Lower Township Police Department's official Records Custodian, Captain William Priole, on May 27, 2020. As such, the seven (7) business day deadline to respond to your request is June 5, 2020. Your OPRA request sought access to the following: "1. A list of all lawsuits and cases in which any officer of the police department was involved between 2012 and 2019. For each lawsuit/case, please provide the date (month and year) of the alleged incident at issue, whether the alleged incident was excessive force, settlement amount (if any), and final compensation amount ruled (if any). 2. Please provide copies of the complaint in any lawsuits and cases described above."

At this time, your request requires an additional forty-five (45) days beyond the seven (7) business days to review, and if appropriate, provide the documents to fulfill your request. As you know, OPRA allows custodians to seek extensions of the time pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5(i). In addition, the statute has recently been amended to provide that the normal deadlines shall not apply, provided however, that the custodian of a governmental record shall make a reasonable effort, as the circumstances permit, to respond to a request for access to a governmental record within seven (7) business days or as soon as possible thereafter. Be advised that we are making a reasonable effort, as the circumstances permit, to review and respond to your request, which includes an extension of time as needed.

Sincerely,

Captain William Priole

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