



Wall Township Police Department

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Kenneth Brown Jr.
Chief of Police

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Dear Mr. McGorry:

The Township of Wall Police Department ("Police Department") Records Custodian received your Open Public Records Act ("OPRA") request on June 11, 2018. As such, the seven (7) business day deadline to respond to your request is June 21, 2018. The Police Department is responding to your request within seven (7) business days after receipt of request as required by New Jersey law. N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5.

For ease of reference, your OPRA request seeks the following:

1. *The number of Police Officer who attended the NJ PBA Convention while being paid by the township. March 5- March 9, 2018.*
2. *The per diem salary of each officer who attends the PBA Convention March 5- March 9, 2018.*
3. *What was the total cost of overtime incurred to allow officers attend the PBA Convention March 5- March 9, 2018.*
4. *The total amount spent by the PBA members to attend the convention.*

With respect to Item Nos. 1—4, as a threshold matter, please be advised that your request is invalid because it fails to identify with reasonable clarity the specific government records sought. See Murphy v. N.J. Dept. of Corrections, GRC Complaint No. 2015-340. The request may not be a description of information that requires the custodian to search the agency's files and "analyze, compile and collate" the requested information. Id. See also MAG Entm't, LLC v. Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 375 N.J. Super. 534, 549 (App. Div. 2005). Moreover, the law is clear that "OPRA does not countenance open-ended searches of an agency's files." MAG Entertainment, LLC v. Div. of ABC, 375 N.J. Super. 534, 549 (App. Div. 2005). As such, your request is legally deficient and Wall Police Department cannot respond in its present form.

Your OPRA and common law request is now deemed answered and closed. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


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