



September 20, 2022

Concerned Citizen

Response sent via email: opra+request-35142-7966941b@requests.opramachine.com

Dear Concerned Citizen:

The Evesham Township Clerk's Office received your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) request on **September 6, 2022**. The Evesham Township Police Department Records Custodian received your OPRA request on **September 6, 2022**. The seven (7) business day deadline to respond to your request was **September 15, 2022**. A request for extension to **September 30, 2022** was emailed to you on **September 13, 2022**. This response to your request is being provided to you on within the extension period.

Your OPRA request response is as follows: **Items 1-7:** This request seeks information or asks questions and does not identify specific government records. As such, your request is an invalid OPRA request and is denied. When a request is "complex" because it fails to specifically identify the documents sought, then that request is not "encompassed" by OPRA. See New Jersey Builders Association v. New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing, 390 N.J. Super. 166, 180 (App. Div. 2007). A proper request under OPRA must identify with reasonable clarity those documents that are desired. See Bent v. Stafford Police Department, 381 N.J. Super. 30, 37 (App. Div. 2005). Custodians are not required to conduct research or create new records in response to an OPRA request.

Your OPRA request for **Item 8** is denied as there are no records responsive to this request. *GRC 5-49; GRC 10-325*.

If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the Evesham Township Police Department 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. You may contact the GRC by toll-free telephone at 866-850-0511, by mail at P.O. Box 819, Trenton, NJ, 08625, by e-mail at grc@dca.state.nj.us, or at their web site 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.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Corbett

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due 9/15/22: print for RFJ
to 9/30/22 on 9/13/22

Corbett, Katherine

From: Bergh, Mary Lou
Sent: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 9:54 AM
To: Corbett, Katherine
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] OPRA request - Statistics on handgun carry permits

Hi Kate, Hope you had a nice holiday. This is for you. Have a great day.

-----Original Message-----

From: Concerned Citizen [mailto:opra+request-35142-7966941b@requests.opramachine.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 8:35 AM
To: Bergh, Mary Lou <berghm@evesham-nj.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] OPRA request - Statistics on handgun carry permits

Dear Evesham Township (Police Department),

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:

1. Number of permit to carry (PCH) applications received before June 23.
2. Number of permit to carry (PCH) applications received from June 23 - present

For the post June 23 applications:

1. How many were denied
2. For those denied - time elapsed between submission and denial
3. How many were approved and forwarded to the court/prosecutors office
4. For those approved - time elapsed between submission to approval and submission to superior court
5. Explanation of background check performed- who is contacted and how? What information is requesting and how is it received?
6. Average time to complete background investigation - if this is unavailable, a list of number of days elapsed for individual applications is sufficient.
7. Explanation of background check - who is contacted and how? What information is requesting and how is it received?
8. Any non-privileged communication between police chief/firearms officer and state officials regarding the change in permit to carry procedures.

Yours faithfully,
Resident

Please use deliver records electronically via email to the below UNIQUE address for all replies to this request:
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Denial: 1-7 not under OPRA; Bent; NJBA ✓
Stuffed! 8 - no pending response.
9/20/22

BY: _____

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