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Via Email at opra+request-20149-35637a09@requests.opramachine.com

S. Elaine

Re: OPRA Request No. 021021-1

Dear S. Elaine:

Stockton University's Open Public Records Act (OPRA) Custodian received your OPRA Request on February 10, 2021. Please be advised the University will be closed on February 15, 2021, in observance of President's Day. As such, the seven (7) business day deadline to respond to your request is February 22, 2021.

Your OPRA Request sought access to the following:

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:

The status of the Stockton Performing Arts Foundation account. What is the current amount held in the account. If the account is no longer active, I'd like to know where the funds were placed, how much, when and who made the request.

Your request, as stated, is an invalid OPRA request. Your request is comprised of questions, as opposed to seeking identifiable records bearing the information sought. A proper request under OPRA must identify with reasonable clarity those documents sought, and a party cannot satisfy this requirement by asking an OPRA Custodian to infer what is being requested. Custodians are not required to conduct research, create new records to respond to an OPRA request, or correlate and compile data from various records in the Custodian's possession in order to respond to an OPRA request. See Bent v. Stafford Police Dept., 381 N.J. Super. 30, 37 (App. Div. 2005); MAG Entm't, LLC v. Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 375 N.J. Super. 534, 546 (App. Div. 2005).

If your request for access to a government record has been denied, you have a right to challenge the decision 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 its web site located at www.state.nj.us/grc. The GRC can also

answer other questions about OPRA. All questions regarding complaints filed in Superior Court should be directed to the Court Clerk in your County.

Sincerely,

Ellen Bailey

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On behalf of the OPRA Custodian

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