



TOWNSHIP OF FREEHOLD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Department Records Bureau

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Anonymous

(Via e-mail opra+request-81629-ce010dc5@requests.opramachine.com.)

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to the OPRA request sent to the Freehold Township Clerk's Office on October 2, 2025 entitled "Ticket Blitz Bribery Scandal, the following response is provided:

1: All Emails "Sent" by Captain Lawrence "Larry" A. Loos #176 from August 1, 2025 to August 31, 2025. "Subject" line and "To" recipients.

- **This request is denied as an invalid request for email correspondence. N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5 provides that "A custodian shall not be required to complete a request, including for, but not limited to, mail, email, text messages, correspondence, or social media postings and messages, if the request does not identify a specific job title or accounts to be searched, a specific subject matter, and is not confined to a reasonable time period[.]" This request fails to specify the subject of the email correspondence in question.**

2: Any Internal Affairs records regarding Captian Loos advising he would pay (first \$100) for the Moores Tavern "bar tab" if traffic tickets were issued to increase Township revenue and productivity. Please advise if a separate OPRA request needs to be made to the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office PRU due to Captian Loos' rank being above DLT. Winowski.

- **This request for "any internal affairs records..." is denied. Internal affairs records are exempt from access under the Internal Affairs Policies and Procedures ("The nature and source of internal allegations, the progress of internal affairs investigations, and the resulting materials are confidential information and remain exempt from access under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1 to -13.") as well as N.J.S.A. 47:1A-9(b).**

3: Copy of all Traffic Summonses issued during "Ticket Blitz" mentioned above.

- **This request seeking "all Traffic Summonses" during an unspecified "Ticket Blitz" is denied as it fails to specify the documents sought and amounts to an invalid request for research through all records of the Township. "[A] proper request under OPRA must identify with reasonable clarity those documents that are desired, and a party cannot satisfy this requirement by simply requesting all of an agency's documents." Bent v. Stafford Police Department, 381 N.J. Super. 30, 37 (App. Div. 2005). OPRA requests are properly denied when they amount to a "blanket request for a class of various documents rather than a request for specific government records." Morgano v. Essex County Prosecutor's Office, GRC Complaint No. 2007-156 (February 25, 2009); see also Murphy v. NJ Department of Corrections, GRC Complaint No. 2015-340 (April 25, 2017). The New Jersey Superior Court has held that "[w]hile OPRA provides an alternative means of access to**



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government documents not otherwise exempted from its reach, it is not intended as a research tool litigants may use to force government officials to identify and siphon useful information. Rather, OPRA simply operates to make identifiable government records 'readily accessible for inspection, copying, or examination.' N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1." MAG Entertainment, LLC v. Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 375 N.J. Super. 534, 546 (App. Div. 2005). "Pursuant to [MAG], the Custodian is obligated to search her files to find the identifiable government records listed in the Complainant's OPRA request However, the Custodian is not required to research her files to figure out which records, if any, might be responsive to a broad or unclear OPRA request." Donato v. Township of Union, GRC Complaint No. 2005-182 (February 2007).

4: Copy of Moores Tavern receipt from when Captain Loos paid money for alcohol for the Officers who issued tickets during the "Ticket Blitz".

- **No responsive government records exist.**

5: Reason for abrupt retirement of Officer Karl "With-A-K" White #232 pending October 31, 2025, if NJ PFRS Board approves with possible on-going Internal Affairs Investigation.

- **This request is denied as it fails to seek government records and instead amounts to an invalid request for information. A request for "information" as opposed to identifiable government records is invalid under OPRA. See, e.g., James v. NJ Dep't of Corrections, GRC Complaint No. 2009-283 (June 2010)).**

Best regards;

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