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PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST FORM
 UNDER THE ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

Date 10/28/2020 Request Number _____

Name (optional) Lindsay Koso

Address (optional) _____

Telephone (optional) (781) 254 - 2142

Requested Records: Please provide a copy of each year's report as required by RIGL 12-12-22(e) from 2001 to present. I'm requesting to have the reports sent to me via email if possible.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Request taken by: _____ Request Number _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Records to be available on: _____ Mail _____ Pick Up _____

Records provided: _____

Costs: _____ copies _____ search and retrieval

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Office of the Attorney General - Public Records Request Receipt

If you desire to pick up the records, they will be available on _____ at the front desk. If, after review of your request, the Office determines that the requested records are exempt from disclosure for a reason set forth in the Access to Public Records Act, the Office reserves its right to claim such exemption.

Note: If you chose to pick up the records, but did not include identifying information on this form (name, etc.), please inform the receptionist at the front desk of the date you made the request, records requested and request number.

Thank you.

From: Adam Roach
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 9:19 AM
To: lkoso099@g.rwu.edu
Subject: Access to Public Records Act Request

VIA EMAIL ONLY

November 12, 2020

Lindsay Koso
Roger Williams University School of Law
lkoso099@g.rwuedu

Re: Access to Public Records Act (“APRA”) Request

Dear Ms. Koso:

This Office is in receipt of your October 28, 2020 Access to Public Records Act (“APRA”) request, in which you seek the following:

“a copy of each year’s report as required by RIGL 12-12-22(e) from 2001 to present.”

Under the APRA, this Office may charge \$15 per hour for search, retrieval, review, and redaction, with the first hour free. *See* R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-4(b).

Using the first free hour of search and retrieval provided under the APRA, this Office communicated with the Criminal Division and employees most likely to have documents responsive to your request, if any are maintained by this Office. In that time period, this Office did not locate any documents responsive to your request and we determined that we do not maintain records for 2019 or 2020 responsive to your request. *See* R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-7(c). However, we cannot rule out the possibility that responsive records for other years may be located if we continue to search.

We estimate that completing our search would take fifteen (15) hours. Using fifteen (15) hours as an estimate (this Office already exhausted the first free hour), completing your request will cost \$225.00. *See* R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-4(b). This estimate is conservative, and pre-payment is required prior to this Office engaging in search and retrieval. Payment must be made via check to the “State of Rhode Island” and sent to Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General, Attn: Open Government Unit, 150 South Main Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903. If you decide to proceed with prepayment for this request, please contact this Office as soon as possible to inform

us of your intent. If you choose to proceed with this request, and should actual search and retrieval fees exceed pre-payment, this Office will advise you to seek authorization and pre-payment before continuing. Should your pre-payment exceed actual search and retrieval costs, you will, of course, be reimbursed.

Please be advised that payment does not guarantee that the records you have requested are maintained by this Office or constitute public records (in whole or in part, i.e., redacted), but only authorizes this Office to conduct its search.

The time period for this Office to respond to your request is tolled as of the date of this letter, pending pre-payment and authorization. Additionally, should you choose to proceed, the time period for this Office to respond to your request is extended twenty (20) business days, based upon the search that would be required and the twelve (12) other APRA requests currently pending in this Office, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-3(e).

To the extent that you wish this Office to fulfill your October 28, 2020 APRA request, kindly proceed as described above and notify this Office.

If we do not hear from you and receive payment within 30 days, we will consider this request closed, though you are free to re-submit your request.

Additionally, it is our understanding that you have been in communication with other staff in this Office who are assisting you outside the APRA process regarding the general subject matter of your request.

This decision can be appealed pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-8(a), which provides that “[a]ny person or entity denied the right to inspect the record of a public body may petition the chief administrative officer of that public body for a review of the determinations made by his or her subordinate.” Any appeal may be submitted to this Office in the same manner you submitted your APRA request.

You may contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Adam D. Roach

Adam D. Roach
Special Assistant Attorney General
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