

State of New Jersey Government Records Council 101 South Broad Street PO Box 819 Trenton, NJ 08625-0819

JOSEPH V. DORIA, JR. Commissioner

### FINAL DECISION

#### March 25, 2009 Government Records Council Meeting

Thomas Caggiano Complainant v. Borough of Stanhope (Sussex) Custodian of Record Complaint Nos. 2006-211, -219 2007-24, -25, -26, -40, -43, -44, -45, -46, -47, -183, -184, -228, -229, -285, -289, 2008-105 (Consolidated)

At the March 25, 2009 public meeting, the Government Records Council ("Council") considered the March 18, 2009 Supplemental Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director and all related documentation submitted by the parties. The Council voted unanimously to adopt the entirety of said findings and recommendations. The Council, therefore, finds that the following cases should be dismissed based on Judge Dana's December 3, 2008 Judgment: <u>Thomas Caggiano v. Borough of Stanhope</u>, GRC Complaint Nos. GRC Complaint Nos. 2006-211, -219; 2007-24, -25, -26, -40, -43, -44, -45, -46, -47,-183, -184, -228, -229, -285, -289, 2008-105.

This is the final administrative determination in this matter. Any further review should be pursued in the Appellate Division of the Superior Court of New Jersey within forty-five (45) days. Information about the appeals process can be obtained from the Appellate Division Clerk's Office, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 W. Market St., PO Box 006, Trenton, NJ 08625-0006. Proper service of submissions pursuant to any appeal is to be made to the Council in care of the Executive Director at the State of New Jersey Government Records Council, 101 South Broad Street, PO Box 819, Trenton, NJ 08625-0819.

Final Decision Rendered by the Government Records Council On The 25<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2009

Robin Berg Tabakin, Chair Government Records Council



**JON S. CORZINE** 

Governor

I attest the foregoing is a true and accurate record of the Government Records Council.

Janice L. Kovach Government Records Council

# Decision Distribution Date: March 30, 2009

#### STATE OF NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

#### Supplemental Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director March 25, 2009 Council Meeting

Thomas Caggiano<sup>1</sup> Complainant GRC Complaint Nos. 2006-211, -219; 2007-24, -25, -26, -40, -43, -44, -45, -46, -47,-183, -184, -228, -229, -285, -289, 2008-105 (Consolidated)

v.

Borough of Stanhope (Sussex)<sup>2</sup> Custodian of Records

Records Relevant to Complaint: Various Request Made: Various Dates Response Made: Various Dates Custodian: Robin Kline GRC Complaint Filed: Various Dates

#### **Background**

#### December 20, 2007

Transmittal from the GRC to the Office of Administrative Law ("OAL") of the following cases for an adjudicatory hearing: <u>Thomas Caggiano v. Borough of Stanhope</u> (Sussex), GRC Complaint Nos. 2006-211, -219, 2007-24, -25, -26, -40, -43, -44, -45, -46, -47, -183, -184, -228, -229, -285.

#### **February 4, 2008**

Transmittal from the GRC to the OAL of <u>Thomas Caggiano v. Borough of</u> <u>Stanhope (Sussex)</u>, GRC Complaint No. 2007-289 for an adjudicatory hearing.

#### **December 3, 2008**

Judgment of the Honorable Craig U. Dana, J.M.C., Joint Municipal Court of the Townships of Green, Fredon, Hampton and the Borough of Andover. Judge Dana issues a Judgment of Conviction for harassment and trespass violations prohibiting Thomas Caggiano from having any contact with any present or former employee or official of the Borough of Stanhope except that Mr. Caggiano may mail his tax and utility payments to the Borough and he may call 911 if he has an emergency.

#### March 12, 2009

Letter from the GRC to the Office of Administrative Law. The Executive Director requests the return of the following complaints to the GRC for dismissal: <u>Thomas</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> No legal representation listed on record.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Richard Stein, Esq. (Sparta, NJ).

Thomas Caggiano v. Borough of Stanhope (Sussex), 2006-211, -219; 2007-24, -25, -26, -40, -43, -44, -45, -46, -47, -183, -184, -228, -229, -285, -289, 2008-105 (Consolidated) – Supplemental Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director

<u>Caggiano v. Borough of Stanhope (Sussex)</u>, GRC Complaint Nos. 2006-211, -219, 2007-24, -25, -26, -40, -43, -44, -45, -46, -47, -183, -184, -228, -229, and -285.

### <u>Analysis</u>

No analysis is required.

### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The Executive Director respectfully recommends the Council find that the following cases should be dismissed based on Judge Dana's December 3, 2008 Judgment: <u>Thomas Caggiano v. Borough of Stanhope</u>, GRC Complaint Nos. GRC Complaint Nos. 2006-211, -219; 2007-24, -25, -26, -40, -43, -44, -45, -46, -47, -183, -184, -228, -229, -285, -289, 2008-105.

Prepared By: Karyn Gordon, Esq. In House Counsel

Approved By: Catherine Starghill, Esq. Executive Director

March 18, 2009



# State of New Jersey

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#### **INTERIM ORDER**

#### December 19, 2007 Government Records Council Meeting

 Thomas Caggiano
 Complaint No. 2006-211, 2006-219, 2007-24, 2007-25, 2007-26, 2007-40, 2007-43, 2007-44, 2007-45, 2007-46, 2007-47, 2007-183, 2007-184, 2007-45, 2007-228, 2007-229, & 2007-285

 Custodian of Record
 Complaint No. 2006-211, 2006-219, 2007-24, 2007-24, 2007-25, 2007-26, 2007-40, 2007-43, 2007-24, 2007-24, 2007-25, 2007-26, 2007-40, 2007-44, 2007-45, 2007-45, 2007-46, 2007-47, 2007-183, 2007-184, 2007-228, 2007-229, & 2007-285

At the December 19, 2007 public meeting, the Government Records Council ("Council") considered the December 12, 2007 Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director and all related documentation submitted by the parties. The Council voted unanimously to adopt the entirety of said findings and recommendations as amended. The Council, therefore, finds that the request for a stay of the November 28, 2007 Interim Orders referring sixteen (16) complaints to the Office of Administrative Law not be granted since the complaints were referred to the Office of Administrative Law due to a conflict of interest between Complainant and Executive Director Starghill based on the criminal harassment complaint filed and the temporary restraining order obtained for the GRC against Complainant.

Interim Order Rendered by the Government Records Council On The 19<sup>th</sup> Day of December, 2007

VINCENT P. MALTESE, Chairman

ACTING COMMISSIONER JOSEPH V. DORIA, JR.

COMMISSIONER LUCILLE DAVY

**ROBIN BERG TABAKIN** 

DAVID FLEISHER

CATHERINE STARGHILL Esq., Executive Director

Robin Berg Tabakin, Vice Chairman Government Records Council

I attest the foregoing is a true and accurate record of the Government Records Council.

David Fleisher, Secretary Government Records Council

Decision Distribution Date: December 27, 2007



### STATE OF NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL Regarding Custodian Counsel's Motion for a Stay Supplemental Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director December 19, 2007 Council Meeting

Thomas Caggiano<sup>1</sup> Complainant

v.

GRC Complaint Nos. 2006-211, 2006-219, 2007-24, 2007-25, 2007-26, 2007-40, 2007-43, 2007-44, 2007-45, 2007-46, 2007-47, 2007-183, 2007-184, 2007-228, 2007-229 & 2007-285

Borough of Stanhope (Sussex)<sup>2</sup> Custodian of Records

Records Relevant to Complaint: Various. Request Made: Various. Response Made: Various. Custodian: Various. GRC Complaint Filed: Various.

#### **Background**

#### November 28, 2007

Government Records Council's ("Council") Interim Orders. At its November 28, 2007 public meeting, the Council considered the November 21, 2007 Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director and all related documentation submitted by the parties. The Council voted unanimously to adopt the entirety of said findings and recommendations. The Council, therefore, found in all instances that because of a conflict of interest and at the request of the Complainant, these matters be referred to the Office of Administrative Law ("OAL") for a hearing to resolve the facts and determine whether the Custodian unlawfully denied access to the requested records, and if so, whether the Custodian knowingly and willfully violated the Open Public Records Act ("OPRA") and unreasonable denied access under the totality of the circumstances.

#### November 29, 2007

Council's Interim Orders distributed to the parties.

#### **December 3, 2007**

Council's Interim Orders and supporting complaint file documents transmitted to the OAL.

#### **December 6, 2007**

Custodian's Request for Stay of the Council's Interim Orders. The Custodian's Counsel asserts that the GRC does not understand the ramification of its decision to send

Thomas Caggiano V. Borough of Stanhope (Sussex), 2006-211 et seq. – Supplemental Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> No legal representative listed in the file.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Represented by Richard Stein of Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP (Sparta, NJ).

all sixteen (16) Denial of Access Complaints to the OAL. Specifically, the Custodian's Counsel states that by entering the orders it has (referring the complaints to the OAL due to a conflict of interest between Complainant and Executive Director Starghill based on the criminal harassment complaint filed and the temporary restraining order obtained for the GRC against Complainant), the GRC has caved into the harassment and intimidation of the Complainant and that Complainant should not be allowed to benefit by his own behavior but instead should be punished criminally for this behavior.

The Custodian's Counsel also states that by referring the sixteen (16) complaints to the OAL, the Borough of Stanhope will have to engage in the full administrative hearing procedure on each of the complaints with the strong likelihood that the Administrative Law Judge will recommend to the GRC that such complaints are frivolous and made in bad faith solely for the purpose of harassment which the GRC will still have to rule on by accepting the decision of the Administrative Law Judge.

Additionally, the Custodian's Counsel states that the public interest and the injury to the public was not considered by the GRC because the Borough of Stanhope must be represented by legal counsel in hearings before OAL requiring pretrial preparation, as well as trips to the OAL in Newark at an estimated cost of \$3,000 per complaint or over \$50,000 versus no legal counsel required before the GRC.

Further, the Custodian's Counsel states that there is no harm to any party by the GRC continuing to process the complaints in the usual administrative manner since the GRC members and staff are now protected by a restraining order and should be able to function normally in the administrative determination of these matters. The Custodian's Counsel asserts that the GRC should not blithely abrogate its duties under OPRA because of a harassment complaint.

Lastly, the Custodian's Counsel asserts that the Complainant will continue to file Denial of Access Complaints with the GRC which the GRC will refer to the OAL, thus resulting in enormous legal expenses to the Borough of Stanhope. The Custodian's Counsel states that the Borough of Stanhope has decided to seek judicial relief in Superior Court against the Complainant and will file a Complaint with an Order to Show Cause within the next ten (10) days. Therefore, the Custodian requests a stay of all proceedings and schedule these matters for a reconsideration pending the Borough's Superior Court action against the Complainant.

#### **Analysis**

# Whether the GRC should grant a stay of the November 28, 2007 Interim Orders referring sixteen (16) complaints to the Office of Administrative Law?

The Custodian requests a stay of the November 28, 2007 Interim Orders of the Government Records Council and asserts the following justification for such stay:

#### Likelihood of Success on the Merits

The Custodian's Counsel states that the Borough of Stanhope has decided to seek judicial relief in Superior Court of New Jersey against the Complainant and will file a Complaint with an Order to Show Cause within the next ten (10) days. The Custodian's Counsel does not make any assertions regarding the likelihood of success on the merits of this action before Superior Court.

#### Danger of Irreparable Harm

The Custodian's Counsel asserts that the irreparable harm from the GRC not granting a stay of the referral of the sixteen (16) complaints to the OAL is that the Borough of Stanhope must be represented by legal counsel in hearings before OAL requiring pretrial preparation, as well as trips to the OAL in Newark at an estimated cost of \$3,000 per complaint or over \$50,000 versus no legal counsel required before the GRC.

#### Potential Chilling Effect

The Custodian's Counsel further asserts that the Complainant will continue to file Denial of Access Complaints with the GRC which the GRC will refer to the OAL, thus resulting in enormous legal expenses to the Borough of Stanhope. Additionally, the Custodian's Counsel asserts that by entering the orders it has (referring the complaints to the OAL due to a conflict of interest between Complainant and Executive Director Starghill based on the criminal harassment complaint filed and the temporary restraining order obtained for the GRC against Complainant), the GRC has caved into the harassment and intimidation of the Complainant and that Complainant should not be allowed to benefit by his own behavior but instead should be punished criminally for this behavior.

The arguments made by the Custodian's Counsel are not enough to overcome the harm that may be done by the Executive Director and the entire GRC staff and members continuing with the agency adjudication of complaints filed by a Complainant against whom the Executive Director has a filed a criminal harassment complaint and obtained an agency temporary restraining order. These facts present an obvious perception of a conflict of interest which will only minimally be affected by the GRC's acceptance of the initial decisions rendered by an Administrative Law Judge hearing these complaints at OAL.

Additionally, the Complainant specifically requested that all his open complaints be forwarded to the OAL for adjudication due to the perceived conflict of interest. This request alone and acknowledgement by the Complainant of a conflict of interest is, in and of itself, enough to justify the GRC's referral of these matters to the OAL. The GRC's adjudication of these complaints may be viewed as an impingement upon the Complainant's due process right. Also, the Custodian's Counsel should note that the vast majority of litigates before the OAL are pro se. Therefore, while the Borough's anticipated legal expense to defend the Custodian at the OAL may be extensive, it is not a requirement of the proceedings. Lastly, the harassing behavior of the Complainant toward GRC staff tips the balancing scales in the decision to refer these complaints to the OAL. Contrary to the Custodian's Counsel argument that the GRC should not allow the Thomas Caggiano v. Borough of Stanhope (Sussex), 2006-211 et seq. – Supplemental Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director Complainant to benefit from his own harassing behavior toward GRC Staff, the GRC does not view referring these complaints as a "benefit" to the Complainant but rather an executive branch administrative procedure allowed per the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:14B-1 et seq.

For these reasons mentioned above, the Custodian's request for a stay should not be granted.

#### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The Executive Director respectfully recommends the Council find that the request for a stay of the November 28, 2007 Interim Orders referring sixteen (16) complaints to the Office of Administrative Law not be granted since the complaints were referred to the Office of Administrative Law due to a conflict of interest between Complainant and Executive Director Starghill based on the criminal harassment complaint filed and the temporary restraining order obtained for the GRC against Complainant.

Approved By:

Catherine Starghill, Esq. Executive Director

December 18, 2007



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Complaint No. 2007-285

#### **INTERIM ORDER**

#### November 28, 2007 Government Records Council Meeting

Thomas Caggiano Complainant v. Borough of Stanhope (Sussex) Custodian of Record

VINCENT P. MALTESE, Chairman

ACTING COMMISSIONER JOSEPH V. DORIA, JR.

COMMISSIONER LUCILLE DAVY

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CATHERINE STARGHILL Esq., Executive Director

At the November 28, 2007 public meeting, the Government Records Council ("Council") considered the November 21, 2007 Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director and all related documentation submitted by the parties. The Council voted unanimously to adopt the entirety of said findings and recommendations. The Council, therefore, finds that because of a conflict of interest and at the request of the Complainant, this matter be referred to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing to resolve the facts and determine whether the custodian unlawfully denied access to the requested records, and if so, whether the denial was knowing and willful in violation of OPRA and unreasonable under the totality of the circumstances.

Interim Order Rendered by the Government Records Council On The 28<sup>th</sup> Day of November, 2007

Vincent P. Maltese, Chairman Government Records Council

I attest the foregoing is a true and accurate record of the Government Records Council.

Government Records Council



# Decision Distribution Date: November 29, 2007

#### STATE OF NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director November 28, 2007 Council Meeting

Thomas Caggiano<sup>1</sup> Complainant GRC Complaint No. 2007-285

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v.

Borough of Stanhope (Sussex)<sup>2</sup> Custodian of Records

Records Relevant to Complaint: See Attached Exhibit "A"

Request Made: August 9, 2007 Response Made: November 19, 2007 Custodian: Robin R. Kline, Municipal Clerk GRC Complaint Filed: November 27, 2007

#### **Background**

Because of a conflict of interest,<sup>3</sup> and at the request of the Complainant, this matter should be referred to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing to resolve the facts of this case and any possible violations of OPRA arising therefrom.

#### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The Executive Director respectfully recommends the Council find that because of a conflict of interest and at the request of the Complainant, this matter be referred to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing to resolve the facts and determine whether the custodian unlawfully denied access to the requested records, and if so, whether the denial was knowing and willful in violation of OPRA and unreasonable under the totality of the circumstances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> No legal representation listed on record.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> No legal representation listed on record.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> On or about October 21, 2007, the Executive Director of the GRC, Catherine Starghill, filed a criminal harassment complaint against the Complainant in Mercer County Municipal Court. On or about October 29, 2007, the Government Records Council obtained a temporary civil restraining order against the Complainant in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division.

## Prepared By:

Karyn Gordon, Esq. In House Counsel

# Approved By:

Catherine Starghill, Esq. Executive Director

November 21, 2007

Borough of Stanhope, Sussex County, New Jersey

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TEL: 973-347-0159

OFFICE OF THE CLERK ROBIN R. KLINE, MAS, RMC

November 19, 2007

Thomas Caggiano 10 East Drive Stanhope, NJ 07874

> Re: Second OPRA Request dated 8.9.07 and received 10.22.07

Dear Mr. Caggiano:

This letter serves to respond to your above referenced OPRA request.

Provide convert nublic notice of macting	This is on unaless request Vaus sectors
Provide copy of public notice of meeting where apparently several officials had a mtg with the	This is an unclear request. Your request must
Town Admin Teri Massood and she resigned.	specifically describe identifiable records. OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
Town Admin Terr Massood and she resigned.	
	tool requiring governmental officials to identify
·	and cull information. Please provide
	clarification of the record[s] you are seeking.
Provide copy of Richard Stein bills for	This is an unclear request. Your request must
meetings, telephone calls, memo regarding	specifically describe identifiable records.
Teri Massood performance review and	OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
termination to Boro of Stanhope May 2007 -	tool requiring governmental officials to
Aug. 2007	identify and cull information. Please provide
	clarification of the record[s] you are seeking.
Provide copy of Teri Massood final payroll	This is an unclear request. Your request must
check and written notification to State of N.J.	specifically describe identifiable records.
officials on her resignation/termination	OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
	tool requiring governmental officials to identify
	and cull information. Please provide
	clarification of the record[s] you are seeking.
Provide copy of redacted notes, conference	You have requested copies of communications
calls by Richard Stein for each claim	between the Borough Clerk and Borough
submitted in 11/1/2006 Stein to Stanhope	Attorney and Borough Officials regarding legal
	advice sought from the Borough Attorney.
	Any such communications are privileged
	communications under the attorney-client
	privilege and are not government records
	subject to OPRA requests.
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	The Borough does not have copies of
	telephone communications made by the
	Borough Attorney. Therefore, the records you
	seek do not exist.
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Provide copy of Acct 79245 RJ143 Document	[Finance]
5/1/07	[Finance]
Provide copy of John Cilo Jr. Claim for \$1,145	[Finance]
for Acet 792405, 7/16/07 PO 10214 and copy	
of John Cilo Jr. Associates contract with	
Borough of Stanhope to submit claim Provide copy of invoices by Municipal	[Finance]
Engineer and copy of Municipal Engineer's	
contract for claims submitted to ENF Dev. Co	
LLC escrow account for checks 1187 on	
4/13/2000; 105B on 7/30/2001; 1096 on	
5/31/2002; 1511 on 11/30/2002; 1528 on	
10/31/2002; 1551 on 6/30/2004 and 1554	
on 8/31/2004 by John Cilo Jr. Associates. include copy of Finance Committee approval	
for each claim, copy of contract for	
Professional Engineering Services that was	
awarded for John Cilo Jr. Associates for each	
year for each claim noted above and copy of	
required newspaper announcement for	
contract for John Cilo Jr. Associates for each	
year per the Local Public Contracts Law that John Cilo Jr. Associates was paid from the	
Borough of Stanhope escrow account	
Provide copy of contract amendment or e-mail	The Borough has no record of Mr. Stein billing
or record of conversation by any Borough	the Borough for any non-Borough related legal
official authorizing Richard Stein to attend a	matter on November 22, 2006. Therefore, the
case not against the Borough of Stanhope or	records you seek do not exist.
any official in Stanhope on 11/22/06	
Provide copy of Richard Stein's claim and	The Borough has no record of Mr. Stein billing
approval of \$900 claim that had nothing to do	the Borough for any non-Borough related legal
with the Borough of Stanhope or any official	matter on November 22, 2006. Therefore, the
in Stanhope	records you seek do not exist.
Provide copy of contract amendment to	The Borough has no record of Mr. Stein billing
Laddey Clark & Ryan LLP that authorized the	the Borough for any non-Borough related legal
expenditure of \$900.00 for non-Stanhope	matter on November 22, 2006. Therefore, the
functions.	records you seek do not exist.
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Provide copy of Richard Stein's report on charging \$900.00 and for telephone calls on	The Borough has no record of Mr. Stein billing
11/27/2006 and $11/29/2006$ for \$60 to Boro	the Borough for any non-Borough related legal
Admin for 0.20 hr each a copy of notes,	matter on November 22, 2006. Therefore, the records you seek do not exist.
telephone lot by Boro Admin authorizing the	records you seek do not exist.
calls to be received as they were not Borough	
of Stanhope related	
Provide copy of Richard Stein 11/07 letter to	You have requested copies of communications
Governing Body on 11/7/2006	between the Borough Clerk and Borough Attorney and Borough Officials regarding legal
	advice sought from the Borough Attorney.
	Any such communications are privileged
	communications under the attorney-client
	privilege and are not government records
	subject to OPRA requests.
Provide copy of Richard Stein claims for	This is an unclear request. Your request
Professional Services related to 2007 OPRA	must specifically describe indentifiable

request by Thomas Caggiano as the GRC made findings against Stanhope's original Municipal Clerk and Town Admin in Dec. 2006, Apr 2007 & Jul 2007	records. OPRA is not intended to be used as a research tool requiring governmental officials to identify and cull information. Please provide clarification of the record[s] you are seeking.
Provide copy of Richard Stein's teleconference with GRC for which a claim was submitted to Stanhope on 10/25/06	The Borough does not have copies of telephone communications made by the Borough Attorney. Therefore, the records you seek do not exist.
Provide copies of records of telephone conference (redaction permitted) with Land Use Board Engineer Cilo, letter to Mayor & Council relating to dismissing action by GRC, teleconferences with Boro Clerk and telephone conference with Code Enforcement Official on 10/25/2006 billing by Laddey, Clark & Ryan as noted in Richard Stein's letter of Dec. 1, 2006 invoice 004325-0068-26453 RAS	The Borough does not have copies of telephone communications made by the Borough Attorney. Therefore, the records you seek do not exist.
Provide copy of Richard Stein letter to Judge Geraghty 10/5/2006 billing of \$150.00	You have requested copies of communications between the Borough Clerk and Borough Attorney and Borough Officials regarding legal advice sought from the Borough Attorney. Any such communications are privileged communications under the attorney-client privilege and are not government records subject to OPRA requests. Further, the Borough does not have copies of telephone communications made by the Borough Attorney. Therefore, the records you seek do not exist.
Provide copy of Richard Stein telephone call to Cilo on 10/10/2006 (redacted if needed) and	You have requested copies of communications between the Borough Clerk and Borough Attorney and Borough Officials regarding legal advice sought from the Borough Attorney. Any such communications are privileged communications under the attorney-client privilege and are not government records subject to OPRA requests. Further, the Borough does not have copies of telephone communications made by the Borough Attorney. Therefore, the records you seek do not exist.
copy of contract for John Cilo Jr. Associates at time with Boro of Stanhope.	A copy of contract for John Cilo Jr. Associates at time with Boro of Stanhope [2006] will be provided upon payment of the OPRA fee. [2 pages]
Provide copy of record of John Cilo Jr. Associates of telephone call, copy of claim by John Cilo Jr. Associates to receive call from Richard Stein and copy of claim by John Cilo Jr. Associates regarding the 10/10/2006 call.	You have requested copies of communications between the Borough Clerk and Borough Attorney and Borough Officials regarding legal advice sought from the Borough Attorney. Any such communications are privileged communications under the attorney-client privilege and are not government records subject to OPRA requests. Further, the Borough does not have copies of telephone

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	communications made by the Borough
	Attorney. Therefore, the records you seek do not exist.
Provide copy of Dolan & Dolan bills and	This is an unclear request. Your request must
Laddey, Clark & Ryan LLP bills to	specifically describe identifiable records.
buddey, olan wrigan bir onio co	OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
	tool requiring governmental officials to identify
	and cull information. Please provide
	clarification of the record[s] you are seeking.
Review professional services contracts that	OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
were awarded for each year 2000, 2001, 2002,	tool requiring governmental officials to identify
2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 for each of the	and cull information. This is an unclear
following companies; provide a copy of each	request. Please provide clarification of the
contract for each year professional	record[s] you are seeking. Your request must
engineering in planning services were charged	specifically describe identifiable records.
to the Borough of Stanhope by either of the	
following companies:	Nevertheless, contract files and records
John Cilo In Associates John Cilo In (DE)	maintained by the Borough of Stanhope will
John Cilo Jr. Associates – John Cilo Jr. (PE) or Scarlett Doyle (PP)	be made available for your review and you may indicate which records you would like to
of Scatter Doyle (FF)	have copied.
Omland Engineering Associates – Eric Keller	nave copicu.
(PE))PP)	
P. David Zimmerman (PP) area in need of	
redevelopment plan	
Only copy of initial contract for each year for	
each company is desired do not include copies	
of amendments.	
Provide copy of Finance Committee and check	This is an unclear request. Your request must
paid to each firm for each year. Only first check paid is desired and a copy of signed	specifically describe identifiable records. OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
contract by Boro of Stanhope and company	tool requiring governmental officials to identify
per Local Public Contracts Law	and cull information. Please provide
	clarification of the record[s] you are seeking.
Copy of Stanhope Boro Eng. & approved Soil	This is an unclear request. Your request must
Erosion & Sediment Control Plans (Maps) that	specifically describe identifiable records.
are also certified by Sussex County Soil	OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
Conservation District for ENF's Block 10902,	tool requiring governmental officials to identify
Lots 10 and 12 and Block 10903, Lot 14 or	and cull information. Please provide
Lot 13 + 14	clarification of the record[s] you are seeking.
Copy of the Jan check paid to John Cilo Jr.	This is an unclear request. Your request must
Associates for work performed by the firm's	specifically describe identifiable records.
employee Scarlett Doyle, for professional	OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
planner services in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003,	tool requiring governmental officials to identify
2004, 2005 and 2006 with disbursed funds to	and cull information. Please provide
John Cilo Jr. Associates in Jan services each year only allow additional payments may have	clarification of the record[s] you are seeking.
been made in following months.	
seen made in following months.	
Copy of the claim by John Cilo Jr. Associates	OPRA is not intended to be used as a research
performed contracted services as professional	tool requiring governmental officials to identify
planner to the Borough of Stanhope.	and cull information. This is an unclear
r i ind i i interiore tra	request. Please provide clarification of the
	record[s] you are seeking. Your request must
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