

## NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

## Administrative Complaint Disposition – No Records Responsive to the Request Exist

GRC Complaint No.: 2008-100

Complainant: Alfred Sallie

Custodian: NJ Department of Law & Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General – Bruce J. Solomon

**Date of Request:** April 8, 2008 **Date of Complaint:** May 6, 2008

Complaint Disposition: In the Custodian's certification to the GRC dated June 9, 2008, the Custodian certified that he responded to the Complainant's request in writing on April 17, 2008, within the statutorily mandated response time, indicating that no records responsive to the Complainant's request exist. The Custodian also certified that in said response to the Complainant, he directed the Complainant to the Division of Criminal Justice and the NJ Department of Banking & Insurance as the requested records may be maintained by these agencies. Additionally, the Complainant has failed to provide any evidence to contradict the Custodian's certification.

**Applicable OPRA Provision:** OPRA defines a government record as:

"... any paper, written or printed book, document, drawing, map, plan, photograph, microfilm, data processed or image processed document, information stored or maintained electronically or by sound-recording or in a similar device, or any copy thereof, that has been *made*, *maintained or kept on file* ... or *that has been received* in the course of his or its official business ..." (Emphasis added.) N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1.

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.

**Effective Date of Disposition:** June 25, 2008

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