

NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

Administrative Complaint Disposition – Request Not within the Council's Jurisdiction to Adjudicate (Request Made to the Judiciary)

GRC Complaint No.: 2010-332

Complainant: Mark L. Tompkins

Custodian: Newark Municipal Court – Stacey Hillsman

Date of Request: November 7, 2010 **Date of Complaint:** December 29, 2010

Complaint Disposition: The Complainant asserts a denial of access to records requested on November 7, 2010. However, the GRC does not have jurisdiction over records requests made of the Newark Municipal Court, as it falls under the Judicial Branch of government.

Inquiries concerning Judiciary records may be addressed to:

Administrative Director of the Courts Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex PO Box 037 Trenton, NJ 08625-0037

Applicable OPRA Provision: OPRA provides that:

"The council shall not have jurisdiction over the Judicial or Legislative Branches of State Government or any agency, officer, or employee of those branches." N.J.S.A. 47:1A-7.g.

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: January 25, 2011

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