

## **NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL** Administrative Complaint Disposition – Action Pending in Superior Court

GRC Complaint No.: 2010-56

**Complainant:** Michael Crook **Custodian:** Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office, Chief Assistant Prosecutor Cary Shill

**Date of Request:** March 10, 2010 **Date of Complaint:** March 19, 2010<sup>1</sup>

**Complaint Disposition:** The Complainant has affirmatively asserted on the Denial of Access Complaint form that he has also instituted an action in Superior Court regarding the denial of access at issue in the complaint also filed with the Government Records Council.

**Applicable OPRA Provision:** "A person who is denied access to a government record by the custodian of the record, at the option of the requestor, may: institute a proceeding to challenge the custodian's decision by filing an action in Superior Court ...; *or in lieu of filing an action in Superior Court*, file a complaint with the Government Records Council ..." (Emphasis added). N.J.S.A. 47:1A-6.

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: April 28, 2010

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Date: April 21, 2010

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The GRC received the Denial of Access Complaint on said date.