

NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

Administrative Complaint Disposition – No Correspondence Received by the Custodian

Kafele Bomani Complainant GRC Complaint No. 2018-187

v.

New Jersey Office of the Public Defender Custodial Agency

Custodian of Record: Traci Telemaque Request Received by Custodian: N/A GRC Complaint Received: August 20, 2018

Complaint Disposition: The Custodian certified that she did not receive a records request from the Complainant dated July 8, 2018. The Complainant attached to his complaint a copy of his request letter, which was addressed to a regional office of the Public Defender in Mays Landing, New Jersey. The Custodian stated that upon inquiry of the regional office, the supervising deputy had no knowledge of receiving the request. Additionally, the Complainant failed to provide any evidence to contradict the Custodian's certification. Therefore, this complaint is without any reasonable factual basis to pursue and shall be dismissed.

Applicable OPRA Provision: "A request for access to a government record shall be in writing and hand-delivered, mailed, transmitted electronically, or otherwise conveyed to the appropriate custodian." N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5(g).

"The council shall make a determination as to whether the complaint is within its jurisdiction or frivolous or *without any reasonable factual basis.*" N.J.S.A. 47:1A-7(e) (emphasis added).

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, 2020

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