

## NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

## Administrative Complaint Disposition – Not Within the Council's Jurisdiction

Chris Alevras Complainant GRC Complaint No. 2019-50

v.

N.J. Office of Attorney Ethics Custodial Agency

**Custodian of Record:** Charles Centarino

Request Received by Custodian: January 30, 2019

**GRC Complaint Received:** March 6, 2019

**Complaint Disposition:** The Complainant asserts a denial of access to records requested on January 30, 2019. However, the GRC does not have jurisdiction over records requests made of the New Jersey Office of Attorney Ethics, as it falls under the Judicial Branch of government. See N.J. Court Rules, R. 1:20-1. Thus, this complaint shall be dismissed due to lack of jurisdiction. 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:** "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:** March 26, 2019

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