



**Minutes of the Government Records Council  
April 25, 2017 – Closed Session**

The Council convened in closed session at 1:41 p.m. in Conference Room 129 of the Department of Community Affairs, Trenton, New Jersey. In attendance were: Robin Berg Tabakin, Esq. (Chairwoman), Christopher Huber, Esq. (designee of Department of Education Acting Commissioner Kimberley Harrington), Jason Martucci, Esq. (designee of Department of Community Affairs Commissioner Charles A. Richman).

Absent: Steven Ritardi, Esq. (Public Member)

Also in attendance were GRC Staff: Joseph Glover (Executive Director), Rosemond Bordzoe (Secretary), Frank F. Caruso (Communications Specialist/Resource Manager), John Stewart (Mediator), Samuel Rosado (Staff Attorney), Deputy Attorney General Debra Allen and Deputy Attorney General Susan Scott.

Ms. Tabakin called for a motion to go into closed session. Mr. Martucci made a motion, seconded by Mr. Huber. The Council adopted the motion by a unanimous vote.

The Council met in closed session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7) to receive legal advice and discuss anticipated litigation in which the public body may become a party in the following matters:

- Thomas R. Ashley, Esq. (o/b/o Ralph Benjamin Cotto) v. Union County Prosecutor's Office (2015-337)
- Regino De La Cruz, Esq. v. City of Union City (Hudson) (2015-14)

Mr. Caruso introduced GRC Complaint No. 2015-337 to the Council. The Council reviewed records *in camera* and sought and received legal advice from DAG Allen. The Council reviewed the conclusions as written.

Mr. Rosado introduced 2015-14 to the Council. The Council sought and received legal advice from both DAGs Allen and Scott. The Council reviewed the amended language in the findings and recommendations.

Ms. Tabakin called for a motion to end the closed session. Mr. Huber made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Martucci. The Council adopted the motion by a unanimous vote. The closed session meeting concluded at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Robin Berg Tabakin, Esq., Chair  
Date Approved: May 25, 2017