



**Minutes of the Government Records Council
December 15, 2020 – Closed Session**

The Council convened in closed session at 1:45 p.m. telephonically. In attendance were: Robin Berg Tabakin, Esq. (Chairwoman), Jennifer Simons Esq. (designee of Department of Education Acting Commissioner, Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan), Gina Trish (designee of Department of Community Affairs Commissioner, Lt. Governor Sheila Y. Oliver), and Steven Ritardi, Esq. (Public Member)

Also, in attendance were GRC Staff: Frank F. Caruso (Executive Director), Rosemond Bordzoe (Secretary), John Stewart (Mediator), Samuel Rosado (Staff Attorney), and Deputy Attorney General Debra Allen.

Ms. Berg Tabakin called for a motion to go into closed session. Mr. Ritardi made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Simons. 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) and N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.8(g) to review records *in camera* and receive legal advice in the following matters:

- Patrick Duff v. Stockton University (2017-246) *In Camera* Review (N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.8(g)).
- Rashaun Barkley v. Essex County Prosecutor's Office (2019-15) (**SR Recusal**) *In Camera* Review (N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.8(g)).

Mr. Rosado introduced GRC Complaint No. 2017-246. The Council reviewed the records *in camera*. Mr. Berg Tabakin provided her opinion of a few of the e-mails contained in the chains reviewed. The Council discussed the proposed conclusions in relation to those e-mails and received legal advice from DAG Allen. The Council agreed to the conclusions as amended.

Mr. Ritardi departed the closed session meeting as he was recused from GRC Complaint No. 2019-15.

Mr. Caruso introduced GRC Complaint No. 2019-15. The Council reviewed the records *in camera*. The Council discussed the proposed conclusions and received legal advice from DAG Allen. The Council agreed to the conclusions as written.

Ms. Berg Tabakin called for a motion to end the closed session. Ms. Simons made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Trish. The Council adopted the motion by a unanimous vote. The closed session meeting concluded at 2:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Robin Berg Tabakin, Esq., Chair

Date Approved: January 26, 2021