



NEW JERSEY GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL

Administrative Complaint Disposition – Not Within the Council’s Jurisdiction

Benu Varghese
Complainant

GRC Complaint No. 2024-181

v.

Office of Assemblyman Robert Auth
Custodial Agency

Custodian of Record: Kevin J. Logan, Esq.
Request Received by Custodian: May 27, 2024
GRC Complaint Received: July 25, 2024

Complaint Disposition: The Complainant asserts a denial of access to records requested on May 24, 2024. However, the GRC does not have jurisdiction over records requests made of the Assemblyman Auth’s Office, as it falls under the Legislative Branch of government. Thus, this complaint shall be dismissed due to lack of jurisdiction.

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: July 30, 2024

Prepared By: Frank F. Caruso
Executive Director

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