



**Minutes of the Government Records Council  
May 19, 2020 – Closed Session**

The Council convened in closed session at 1:46 p.m. telephonically. In attendance were: Robin Berg Tabakin, Esq. (Chairwoman), Salma Chand, Esq. (designee of Department of Education Commissioner, Dr. Lamont Repollet), and Donald Palombi (designee of Department of Community Affairs Commissioner, Lt. Governor Sheila Y. Oliver).

Absent: 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), Brandon Garcia (Case Manager), and Deputy Attorney General Debra Allen.

Ms. Berg Tabakin called for a motion to go into closed session. Mr. Palombi made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Chand. 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:

- Shamsiddin Abdur-Raheem v. NJ Department of Corrections (2016-283) *In Camera* Review (N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.8(g)).
- David Weiner v. NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Benefits (2017-170) *In Camera* Review (N.J.A.C. 5:105-2.8(g)).

Mr. Caruso introduced GRC Complaint No. 2016-283. The Council reviewed the records *in camera*. The Council discussed the proposed conclusions. The Council agreed to the conclusions as written.

Mr. Rosado introduced GRC Complaint No. 2017-170. The Council reviewed the records *in camera*. The Council discussed the proposed conclusions and received legal advice from DAG Allen regarding a potential change to the “Analysis” section. The Council agreed to the conclusions as amended.

Ms. Berg Tabakin called for a motion to end the closed session. Mr. Palombi made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Chand. The Council adopted the motion by a unanimous vote. The closed session meeting concluded at 1:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Robin Berg Tabakin, Esq., Chair  
Date Approved: June 30, 2020