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Ms. Elena Ruth Sassower 16 Lake Street, Apt. 2C White Plains, N.Y. 10603

Dear Ms. Sassower:

This is in response to your recent Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL") request addressed to Tomme Berg, dated October 6, 2008.

With respect to your request for records concerning the duties and responsibilities of the Chief Clerk of the White Plains City Court, I already informed you in our recent telephone conversation that the title standard for the Chief Clerk position, which defines those duties and responsibilities, is available on our website, <a href="https://www.courts.state.ny.us">www.courts.state.ny.us</a>.

With respect to your request for statutory and rule provisions applicable to the Chief Clerk and the Senior Judge of the White Plains City Court, your request is denied on the grounds that it is overbroad and burdensome on its face, and that nothing in FOIL requires that we perform legal research or compile lists or create records in order to respond to your request. Public Officers Law, §89(3).

With respect to your request for records concerning the appointment and salary of the Chief Clerk, you may make an appointment to inspect and copy responsive records by calling Shawn Kerby at the above number. Your additional request for copies of the Chief Clerk's job application and resume is denied, on the ground that disclosure of those documents, to the extent that we have them, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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Finally, if you wish to file a misconduct complaint against the Chief Clerk you should direct your complaint to the Ninth Judicial District Administrative Judge.

Very truly yours,

John Eiseman Deputy Counsel

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cc: Tomme Berg