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Dear Elena Sassower:

I am in receipt of your email, dated January 29, 2025, appealing the determination of the Assembly Records Access Officer issued on January 21, 2025.

A. Request for Records and Appeal

On January 21, 2025, the Public Information Office received your request, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL"), for "(1) records as to the number of salary plans SUNY, CUNY, and the Board of Regents respectively filed pursuant to Executive Law §169; (2) the first two salary plans of each; (3) the two most recent salary plans of each; (4) the salary plan, for each, that is chronologically between the first and most recent."

In response to your request, the Public Information Office informed you that the records you identified were not required to be made available pursuant to Public Officers Law (POL) §88 or under Assembly Rule VIII, which requires the central administrative records maintained by the Assembly be governed by a similar presumption of disclosure that governs access to executive agency records, with similar enumerated exceptions. As such, your request was denied.

B. Decision

The claims, questions, and characterizations in your appeal do not assert any factors for consideration or legal reasons in support of your appeal.

As stated in the initial response, in addition to the records specifically enumerated in and required to be made available under POL §88, Assembly Rule VIII requires central administrative records maintained by the Assembly also be made available, subject to certain exceptions. Central administrative records are, generally speaking, those related to Assembly personnel, Assembly finance, and other similar centralized functions of the Assembly. As the records you requested are not central administrative records, Assembly Rule VIII does not require their disclosure.

The previous decision to deny your request is upheld.

Sincerely,

Garrison Ramsdell, Esq.