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Via email to: elena@judgewidth.org

Dear Ms. Sassower:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL") requests, both dated October 6, 2015, concerning (1) Appellate Division Rules and (2) the Administrative Board and Judicial Conference, as pertaining to attorney discipline.

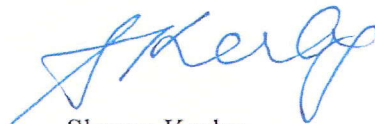
Information for the Appellate Divisions and their respective disciplinary committees, including their rules, is available by following the links to each Court and committee at the following link: <http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/appellatedivisions.shtml>

With regard to your inquiry about disciplinary rule changes or amendments since 1986 and 1992, or subsequent to two Court of Appeals cases you cite, please be advised that FOIL does not require legal research. You may wish to conduct your own research, on-line or otherwise, concerning any such disciplinary rule changes or amendments.

Your requests for "all publicly-available records pertaining to the actions or inactions of the Chief Administrator and the Administrative Board..." concerning attorney discipline and for "all publicly-available records of the activity of the Administrative Board and Judicial Conference since 1970..." are overly broad, do not reasonably identify specific records to permit a search, and would require interpretation. See Public Officers Law § 89(3).

To the extent you can conduct your own research, on-line or otherwise, regarding the above subjects, you may be able to compile your own information, retrieve a publicly available record, or identify a specific record that might permit a search for a responsive record, by this Office or other agency that might maintain such records.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Kerby". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "S" and a long, sweeping underline.

Shawn Kerby
Assistant Deputy Counsel