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Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 10:51 AM

To: 'cbogle@dutchessny.gov'
Cc: 'robert.freeman@dos.ny.gov'

Subject: AGAIN: FOIL Request -- Salaries & Other "Compensation & Non-Salary Benefits" for

District Attorneys & Other Full-Time Elected County Officers

Attachments: 7-14-16-foil-56-counties.pdf

TO: Deputy County Attorney Carol Bogle

In the absence of County Attorney Fedorchak, who I understand is on vacation this week, kindly address the below FOIL request appropriately, so there is no further delay.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) 914-421-1200 www.judgewatch.org

From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [mailto:elena@judgewatch.org]

Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 10:40 AM

To: 'Fedorchak, James' < jfedorchak@dutchessny.gov>

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Subject: AGAIN: FOIL Request -- Salaries & Other "Compensation & Non-Salary Benefits" for District Attorneys & Other Full-Time Elected County Officers

Dear Mr. Fedorchak,

Although your below July 15th e-mail states you are "not stonewalling", I am at a loss to understand the basis upon which you are refusing to forward CJA's July 14th FOIL request to the appropriate records access officer because of the "time constraints" that attach to it. Public Officers Law 89.3, which the FOIL request cites to and quotes from so that you and/or your records access officer can be in compliance therewith, begins, as follows:

"3. (a) Each entity subject to the provisions of this article, within five business days of the receipt of a written request for a record reasonably described, shall make such record available to the person requesting it, deny such request in writing or furnish a written acknowledgment of the receipt of such request and a statement of the approximate date, which shall be reasonable under the circumstances of the request, when such request will be granted or denied, including, where appropriate, a statement that access to the record will be determined in accordance with subdivision five of this section. ..." (underlining added).

Please advise, if it is not you, who Dutchess County's records access officer is – and forward CJA's July 14th FOIL request to him/her without further delay.

Thank you.

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From: Fedorchak, James [mailto:jfedorchak@dutchessny.gov]

Sent: Friday, July 15, 2016 3:37 PM

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Subject: RE: FOIL Request -- Salaries & Other "Compensation & Non-Salary Benefits" for District Attorneys & Other Full-Time Elected County Officers

I am not stonewalling you but given the fact that there attaches to the FOIL request time constraints for response, I will not forward your request. However, I will advise you that there appear to be a combination of offices which may be involved in responding including the Finance and District Attorney's Office the address for which can be found on our web site.

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TO: County Attorneys of New York's 56 Counties Whose Judicially-Linked District Attorney Salaries are Paid from Their County Budgets –

I am advised by Bob Freeman, Executive Director of the Committee on Open Government, that the County Attorney's Office knows the identity of the person to whom a FOIL request is properly directed. I would appreciate if you would forward the attached, above-entitled FOIL request of today's date to the proper county officer for response.

As this FOIL request is relevant to CJA's July 8, 2016 letter to you and the county governments pertaining to the judicially-linked district attorney salary increases, it is posted on CJA's website, beneath that letter. Here's the link, directly: http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/budget-2016-17/how-many-das-menu.htm.

Thank you.

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