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From: "Kato, Bruce H (EED)" <bruce.kato@alaska.gov> Date: Wed, 08 Oct 2008 15:55:37 -0800 Conversation: Records Request Subject: Records Request

The attached documents are in response to your request under the Alaska Public Records Act.

Sincerely, Bruce Kato Chief Curator Alaska State Museums

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Department of Education & Early Development Division of Libraries, Archives & Museums

Kathryn H. Shelton, Director

October 8, 2008

Sarah Palin, Governor

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Please find enclosed all of the e-mails between the State of Alaska Office of the Governor and me, for the dates you requested.

In one e-mail related to an acquisition, I have redacted identifying information (payment and phone information) that could, when combined, implicate the sender's financial privacy. This redaction is authorized under AS 40.25.120(a)(4) by article I, section 22 of the Alaska Constitution.

I offer no comment on your assessment of the deliberative process privilege since it is not asserted here.

On the question of public interest status, in the context of public records, the issue is not whether there is some perceived value to the documents, but rather, whether it would cost more to seek payment than the effort of retrieval and the copying of the documents is worth. Here, the search took less than five hours under AS 40.25.110(c), and the copying amount is minimal under AS 40.25.110(d). Accordingly, we have not charged you for this particular request.

Because we have redacted some information, we provide your appeal rights. They are set out in the attached provisions of 2 AAC 96.335 – 2 AAC 96.340. They include the right to administratively appeal complying with the procedures in 2 AAC 96.340, or to seek immediate judicial review of the denial by seeking an injunction from the superior court under AS 40.25.125. An election not to pursue injunctive remedies in superior court has no adverse effects on the rights of the requestor before the public agency. An administrative appeal from a denial of a request for public records requires no appeal bond.

Sincerely

Bruce Kato Chief Curator

cc: Kay Shelton, Director, Division of Libraries, Archives and Museums

2 AAC 96.335. Denial of request. (a) A request for a public record that complies with this chapter may be denied only if

(1) the record is not known to exist after the public agency makes a diligent search for it;

(2) the record is not in the public agency's possession, and after a diligent search the public agency does not know where the record is to be found;

(3) the record has been destroyed in accordance with an applicable record-retention schedule;

(4) nondisclosure of the record is authorized by a federal law or regulation, or by state law; or

(5) the record is believed to be in the agency's possession but has not yet been located, in which case the public agency shall proceed under (f) of this section.

(b) A request may be denied by the public agency head or by an agency employee to whom denial authority has been delegated by the public agency head.

(c) An initial denial of a written request must be in writing; must state the reasons for the denial, including any specific legal grounds for the denial; and must be dated and signed by the person issuing the denial. If a request is denied by a public agency employee to whom denial authority has been delegated, the notice of denial must reflect this delegation. A copy of 2 AAC 96.335 - 2 AAC 96.350 must be enclosed with the denial.

(d) A denial of a written request, in whole or in part, must state that

(1) the requestor may administratively appeal the denial by complying with the procedures in 2 AAC 96.340;

(2) the requestor may obtain immediate judicial review of the denial by seeking an injunction from the superior court under AS 40.25.125;

(3) an election not to pursue injunctive remedies in superior court shall have no adverse effects on the rights of the requestor before the public agency; and

(4) an administrative appeal from a denial of a request for public records requires no appeal bond.

(e) A denial of a written request is considered to be issued at the time the denial is either delivered to the United States Postal Service for mailing, or hand-delivered to the requestor by an employee or agent of the public agency.

(f) If a written request is denied because a record has not yet been located and the record is believed to exist in the agency's possession, the office in the public agency responsible for maintaining the record is believed to exist in the agency's possession, the office in the public agency responsible for maintaining the record shall continue to search until the record is located or until it appears that the record does not exist or is not in the public agency's possession. The public agency shall periodically inform the requestor of its progress in searching for the requested record.

(g) A record that is the subject of a public records request that has been denied shall not be destroyed or transferred from the public agency's custody, except that records may be transferred to state archives and records management services as provided by AS 40.21 and regulations adopted under AS 40.21. A public agency may not destroy or transfer custody of a record to which access has been denied or restricted until at least 60 working days after the requestor is notified in writing that the request has been denied, or if there is an administrative or judicial appeal or other legal action pending at the end of the 60-working-day period, until the requestor has exhausted those actions.

2 AAC 96.340. Appeal from denial; manner of making. (a) A requestor whose written request for a public record has been denied, in whole or in part, may ask for reconsideration of the denial by submitting a written appeal to the agency head.

(b) An appeal under (a) of this section must be mailed or hand-delivered to the agency head within 60 working days after the denial is issued and must include the date of the denial and the name and address of the person issuing the denial. The appeal must also identify the records to which access was denied and which are the subject of the appeal. If an appeal is from the failure of the agency to respond to the records request within the appropriate time limit under 2 AAC 96.325, the appeal must so state, must identify the records sought, and must identify the public agency to which the request was directed and the date of the request.

(c) The 60 working days within which an appeal must be filed begins to run upon the issuance of the denial or, if no denial is issued, upon the expiration of the time period within which the public agency should have responded.

 From:
 stjamescourt@ukonline.co.uk

 Sent:
 Wednesday, June 27, 2007 1:21 PM

 To:
 Kato, Bruce H (EED)

 Cc:
 Smith, Lynne M (GOV)

 Subject:
 RE: Lesley Jackson Works of Art

Dear Mr. Kato,

Thank you so much for your e-mail. I am delighted that the three pieces by Lesley Jackson are of interest to your Museum and that they are going back to Alaska.

I have contacted a professional shipper that I have used in the past and will get an airfreight quote within a few days. I will send you an invoice for the three pieces; shipping and handling will be separate.

PRIVACY

I had no idea that you were interested in furnishings from the Governor's home. I do have a piece of furniture which was handed down from him to his son Hugh P. Brady and then to me. It is a New England (Massachussets) Hepplewhite mahogany card table (1805-1815) with a serpentine top over a conforming frame with inlaid bird's eye maple & satinwood panels and an arrow-inlaid apron, supported by square legs with banded cuffs, in very good condition. Would this piece be of any interest to you?

I also have a pair of Alaskan ceremonial oars which I would like to donate to the Museum as well as a copy of the manuscript "Early Days in Sitka" from a talk given by Hugh P. Brady at Sheldon Jackson College on Alaska Day, in 1965.

I would very much like to speak to you directly. When would it be convenient? There is an 8 hrs. time change.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

With my best regards,

Cornelia Meili Carré

Mob: PRIVACY Tel & Fax: PRIVACY

----Original Message----From: Kato, Bruce H (EED) [mailto:bruce.kato@alaska.gov] Sent: 25 June 2007 21:20 To: stjamescourt@ukonline.co.uk Cc: Smith, Lynne M (GOV) Subject: RE: Lesley Jackson Works of Art

Hello Cornelia,

Thank you for your email message. Yes, the price for the paintings is within our means to purchase. All three works of art will be a splendid addition to the State Museum's collection. The Lesley Jackson watercolor of Sitka is also a wonderful surprise.

Is there a service available to you for packing and shipping the paintings to Alaska? Perhaps a local art gallery or museum will be able to recommend an appropriate shipper. We will also need to know what these costs are so we will be able to reimburse you for

these fees.

Upon receipt of an invoice from you, I am able to send a US Treasury Warrant to you via certified mail for the purchase. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to assist you.

In addition, I would like to talk with you at some point about your Great-Grandfather, Governor Brady. I regret to say that the museum has very little display material from the territorial governors. We have copies of Governor Brady's papers from Yale University. However, we are always interested in personal items--articles of clothing, office accessories, souvenirs, or other items connected to Alaska during Governor Brady's terms in office.

Thank you again, I look forward to hearing from you. We sincerely appreciate your interest in preserving these paintings as part of Alaska's history.

Bruce

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----Original Message----From: stjamescourt@ukonline.co.uk [mailto:stjamescourt@ukonline.co.uk] Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2007 7:07 AM To: Kato, Bruce H (EED) Cc: Kato, Bruce H (EED); Smith, Lynne M (GOV) Subject: Lesley Jackson Works of Art

The message is ready to be sent with the following file or link attachments:

Lesley Jackson oils & watercolour 001 Lesley Jackson oils & watercolour 002 Lesley Jackson oils & watercolour 003 Lesley Jackson oils & watercolour 004 Lesley Jackson oils & watercolour 005 Lesley Jackson oils & watercolour 006

Note: To protect against computer viruses, e-mail programs may prevent sending or receiving certain types of file attachments. Check your e-mail security settings to determine how attachments are handled.

Dear Mr. Kato,

Thank you so much for your e-mail dated 20th June 2007.

I am very pleased of your interest in the Lesley Jackson oils. I have another piece by Ms. Jackson, a watercolour of the town of Sitka viewed from the water. This work was acquired by my Great-Grandfather John Green Brady alongside the two oils in 1901 directly from Lesley and her Father Sheldon. Please find attached some additional pictures.

The 3 pieces are:

"Russian Church in Sitka" 1901, oil on canvas, framed: 23 1/4" x 15 1/4"

"Sitka by Water" 1901, oil on canvas, framed: 21 1/4" x 15 1/4"

"View of Sitka, 1901, signed & dated in pencil, watercolour, framed: 21" x 16"

All three are in pristine condition and beautifully framed. Should the State Museum be interested in these historical and regional views, I am offering them for sale at a total price of US \$8,000.00.

I very much look forward to hearing from you.

With kind regards, Yours sincerely,

Cornelia Meili Carre

Tel & Fax: PLWACY E-Mail: stjamescourt@ukonline.co.uk

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 9:49 AM

- To: Rowland, Mindy B (GOV); Jeans, Eddy (EED); Kato, Bruce H (EED); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV); Yocom, Lauren J (GOV)
- Cc: Kelly, Russell T (GOV)

Subject: RE: Bill Signing at NOON 3/26

This is good for the Governor's Calendar. Janice

From: Rowland, Mindy B (GOV)
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The signing ceremony is now scheduled for 12:00 pm on Wednesday 3/26. Please let me know ASAP if this will cause a conflict.

Thank you for your understanding.

Mindy

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Sorry for the inconvenience, I'll try to get word out on a new time as soon as possible.

Thanks Mindy

Mindy Rowland

Deputy Legislative Director Office of Governor Sarah Palin 465-4021

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) Sent: Monday, March 24, 2008 1:00 PM

To: Kato, Bruce H (EED)

Subject: RE: Bill Signing at NOON 3/26

Bruce-

I will swing by around 3 ish today

Sharon

From: Kato, Bruce H (EED)
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 10:26 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Rowland, Mindy B (GOV); Jeans, Eddy (EED); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV); Yocom, Lauren J (GOV)
Cc: Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
Subject: RE: Bill Signing at NOON 3/26

Wednesday, March 26 at noon is fine.

Sharon, please give me a call. I would like you to take a look at the space we have here at the museum for the bill signing. I want to make sure there is enough space for the students, as well as a film crew.

Thanks, Bruce

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Deputy Legislative Director Office of Governor Sarah Palin 465-4021

From: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV)

Sent: Friday, October 19, 2007 1:50 PM

To: Kato, Bruce H (EED)

Subject: RE: mailing lists

Thanks, Bruce.

Mark D. Kelsey Special Assistant to the Governor Office of Gov. Sarah Palin 907.269.7450, Anchorage 907.352.2585, Mat-Su

From: Kato, Bruce H (EED) Sent: Fri 10/19/2007 1:23 PM To: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV) Cc: Frederiksen, Patience A (EED) Subject: FW: mailing lists

Hi Mark,

This is what I sent off to Marty back on the 11th.

Let me know if this works for you.

Bruce

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From: Kato, Bruce H (EED) Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2007 2:54 PM To: Meyer, Marty A (GOV) Cc: Kay Shelton (Kay Shelton) Subject: RE: mailing lists

Hello Marty,

Kay Shelton asked that I respond to your email. I have attached a mailing list for you of

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museums and cultural facilities in Alaska. The State Museum also has an online database with additional information on museum facilities (Guide to Museums in Alaska) http://www.museums.state.ak.us/list.html

Let me know if this is in the correct format for you.

Take care, Bruce

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From: Shelton, Kathryn H (EED) Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2007 11:35 AM To: Kato, Bruce H (EED) Subject: FW: mailing lists

Bruce: Please reply directly to Marty! Thanks, Kay

Kay Shelton, Director Alaska Libraries, Archives & Museums tel. 907-465-2911; fax 907-465-2151 kay.shelton@alaska.gov

From: Meyer, Marty A (GOV) Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2007 11:36 AM To: Shelton, Kathryn H (EED) Cc: Stepovich, Melissa M (GOV) Subject: mailing lists

Hi Kay,

I'm working on the AK Statehood Celebration Commission which is part of the Governor's office, and was referred to you by Michelle Fabrello in the Governor's office in Juneau. The commission is in need of a mailing list of the public libraries across Alaska and also a list of all the museums in Alaska. Do you have those lists and we could

we use them? Please let me and Melissa know. I appreciate your help! Marty Meyer 907-269-7450

From: Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)

Sent: Monday, February 11, 2008 8:30 AM

To: Shelton, Kathryn H (EED); Kato, Bruce H (EED)

Cc: Thompson, Barbara A (EED); George Cannelos; Jamilia George

Subject: Event at the Museum

Hi Kay and Bruce – would you be able to talk with George Cannelos, Federal Co-Chair of the Denali Commission, about an possible event during their meeting here later this month? Would be great if something could work out! Thanks! - KJR

Karen J. Rehfeld, Director Office of Management & Budget 465-3568

karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov

From: George Cannelos [mailto:GCannelos@denali.gov] Sent: Monday, February 11, 2008 8:26 AM To: Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV) Cc: Jamilia George Subject: RE: Feb meeting

Thanks, Karen. Hope she's okay with the MOU so we don't lose any momentum.

Do you know the folks who run the State Museum? There is a terrific exhibit on The Lure of Alaska – A History of Tourism in the Great Land that closes after February 29th. I called June Hall, the curator who put it together and she's willing to meet with any commissioners and staff who would like to discuss the exhibit and its themes. I'm intrigued since we're all working hard to accurately tell the story of rural Alaska, and I think we can gain several insights. It would be fun if the museum could be open for us, say Thursday evening, for a "Denali Commission Night at the Museum"! If you don't know anyone there, I'll make a cold call and see what happens.

George

From: Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV) [mailto:karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov] Sent: Monday, February 11, 2008 7:43 AM To: George Cannelos Cc: Jamilia George Subject: Feb meeting

Hi George – I just learned that the governor will NOT be in Juneau when the Denali Commission is meeting in February. So, unfortunately, she will not be able to join us. I am trying to find out if she is OK with the MOU so we can start circulating it – will let you know as soon as I hear anything! KJR

Karen J. Rehfeld, Director Office of Management & Budget 465-3568

karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov

From:Benedict, Nichole M (EED)Sent:Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:01 AMTo:Kato, Bruce H (EED)Cc:Perez, Linda J (GOV)Subject:U.S. Senate Chair (Senator Ernest Gruening)

Hi Bruce,

Attached are some documents that I received regarding a U.S. Senate chair that belonged to U.S. Senator Ernest Gruening. I believe this is a project you were working on with Linda Perez in the Governor's Office.

Let me know if you have any questions, or if you need anything further from me.

Thank you, Nikki Benedict

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From:Kelly, Russell T (GOV)Sent:Monday, June 25, 2007 1:34 PMTo:Kato, Bruce H (EED)Subject:RE:WWII PT Boat

No, nothing since the last time you and I e-mailed. She's a nice lady...probably wouldn't mind a call if you're interested. Russ

From: Kato, Bruce H (EED) Sent: Monday, June 25, 2007 1:34 PM To: Kelly, Russell T (GOV) Subject: RE: WWII PT Boat

Hello Russ,

Is there any more activity on the PT boat? This Ad showed up at an auction.



Bruce Kato Chief Curator Alaska State Museums

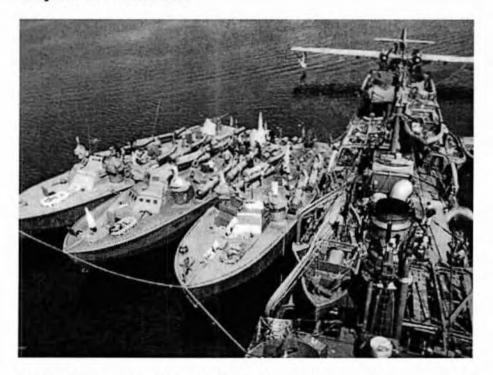
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From: Russ Kelly [mailto:russ_kelly@gov.state.ak.us] Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2007 9:45 AM To: bruce_kato@eed.state.ak.us Subject: RE: WWII PT Boat

Wow! Wouldn't that be cool! I'm suspecting she's got something smaller than that...perhaps. I'm sure they're figuring it out as we speak. Thanks for sending. Russ

From: Bruce Kato [mailto:bruce_kato@eed.state.ak.us] Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2007 8:50 PM To: 'Russ Kelly' Subject: RE: WWII PT Boat



Boats of Squadron 13 in Alaska tied up with a seaplane

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From: Russ Kelly [mailto:russ_kelly@gov.state.ak.us] Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2007 2:21 PM To: bruce_kato@eed.state.ak.us Subject: RE: WWII PT Boat

Thanks, Bruce.

Tina has your phone number and will call if she has more information or questions. It sounded like Sen. Ted Stevens is somehow getting involved, but I can't confirm that at this point. Suffice to say, I'll leave it to Tina to follow up with you – or, if you want to speak with her you have her contact information. I'm excited to hear what comes of this, and hope the boat eventually winds up in someone's museum for all to see. Thanks, Russ

From: Bruce Kato [mailto:bruce_kato@eed.state.ak.us] Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2007 11:36 PM To: russ_kelly@gov.state.ak.us Subject: FW: WWII PT Boat

Hi Russ,

I will try and do a little research myself. I think I might be able to get my hands on an image of the vessels on duty in the Aleutians. It would be great if it was one of the original vessels.

Thanks again, Bruce

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From: Bruce Kato [mailto:bruce_kato@eed.state.ak.us] Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2007 10:25 PM To: 'Russ Kelly' Subject: RE: WWII PT Boat Hi Russ,

Thank you for the information. Yes, we would like to learn more about the boat. Since you are in contact with her, it may be better for you to communicate with her our interest in learning more about the vessel. Please keep us informed on any additional information you find.

Thank you for the heads up on this.

Sincerely, Bruce

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From: Russ Kelly [mailto:russ_kelly@gov.state.ak.us] Sent: Monday, April 23, 2007 4:21 PM To: bruce_kato@eed.state.ak.us Subject: WWII PT Boat

Hello Bruce,

I received a call last week from Tina Barela, 373-7298. Her mother is elderly and moving out of her house in the Anchorage area, but in the yard sits a vintage WWII PT Boat. Tina said it might be one of the original eight. She wondered if there was any interest from the state museum. Her mother's name is Ruth Ann Turner, 349-8597.

Tina has spoken to Scott Neal of the Wasilla Museum, 373-9073, at this point and I believe she is just trying to reach out as much as possible to gauge interest. I told her I would ask around. Do you have any thoughts on whether the state would be interested in the boat? If you are comfortable with responding to Tina, I'd appreciate it, but it's also just as easy for me to relay any information you provide to me. Just let me know, either way.

Tina did say her family is currently doing more research on the boat.

Thank you for your help.

Russ

Russ Kelly Special Assistant Office of Governor Sarah Palin (907) 465-3500