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**U.S. Department of Justice**

Professional Responsibility Advisory Office

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Washington, D.C. 20530

November 15, 2007

RE: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request

I write on behalf of the Professional Responsibility Advisory Office (PRAO) to respond to your Freedom of Information Act request dated October 9, 2007, and received by this office on October 18, 2007. In that letter you request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) “an electronic copy of the FOIA Case Logs for the DOJ PRAO for the time period FY 2005 and FY 2006 and FY 2007-to-date.”

Please find enclosed a compact disc containing an electronic copy of our FOIA log covering FY 2005, FY 2006 and FY 2007 to date. The CD contains a tab delimited text file containing the Year, Date Received, Requester, Summary, and PRAO Response fields from the PRAO FOIA log database. Pursuant to Exemption (b)(2) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, which pertains to information related to purely internal agency practices, the following fields are withheld from the production: FOIA Number, Date Response Due, Date Responded, Response Days, Time Spent, Expedited Request, and Expedited Granted.

Per your request letter, PRAO did not include first party requests in the provided file. Additionally, the names of private individuals named in third party requests are redacted from the summary field in several records.

If you are not satisfied with the action on your request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, United States Department of Justice, Flag Building, Suite 570, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, within sixty days from the date of this letter. Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael P. Burns". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

FOIA Officer  
Professional Responsibility Advisory Office

Year	Date Received	Requester	Summary	PRAO Response
2004	10/12/2004	Lawrence J. Petitta	PRAO report on 1961 California criminal incident; Robert Kennedy arrest record; JFK interview	No records
2004	10/19/2004	Stefan Cotsbasan	Illinois rules and regulations related to corrections employees	No records
2004	11/4/2004	Anthony Kelly	Various Maryland or DC state rules and regulations	No records, provided internet address for MD rules
2004	11/16/2004	Westly B. Cani, Senior	US Attorneys handbook or equivalent	Provided internet address for USAM
2004	12/28/2004	Betsy P. Tao	Senator Jon Corzine or his Senate office	No records
2005	2/15/2005	Roger Aronoff	Agency's obligation to pay media or non profit entities	No records
2005	3/25/2005	Tiffany Stedman	Agency decision to outsource FOIA functions to private entities	No records
2005	4/4/2005	Debbie Plaster	Not a FOIA request - requester seeks "permission to have communication with the contracting officer" of apparently a BOP contractor	No records
2005	6/10/2005	Savanah Nichols	Chicago gangs and gang related information	No records
2005	8/24/2005	Kevin F. O'Donnell	Professional responsibility issues in federal bankruptcy	No records
2005	12/13/2005	Lacey Phillabaum	FOIA Log for September 2005	No records
2005	12/20/2005	Shauna Daly; Devorah Adler	Correspondence between PRAO and various politicals	No records
2005	11/4/2005	David Glasgal	Documents related to REDACTED	No records
2006	1/18/2006	Michael Ravnitzky	Request for FOIA Logs from October 2004 to present	Provided redacted log
2006	5/23/2006	Jackie Lynn Barnes	Commission signed by the President and AG appointing Mr. REDACTED to the office of attorney	Not the type of information maintained in PRAO's records
2006	5/23/2006	Jackie Lynn Barnes	Verification that Mr. REDACTED has authority to bind the US	Not the type of information maintained in PRAO's records
2006	5/23/2006	Jackie Lynn Barnes	Verification of employment, job description, and scope of authority of Mr. REDACTED	Not the type of information maintained in PRAO's records
2006	11/9/2006	Michael Ravnitzky	First page of all FOIA requests PRAO received from 10/1/2004 to present	PRAO provided 28 pages of redacted materials. Note that PRAO does not have two request letters, and provided the response letters in their place.
2007	1/25/2007	Christopher Frank	Ethical Standards for Prosecutors Act and Hyde Amendment	Provided 28 USC 530B, 28 CFR 77, the Hyde Amendment codified as a statutory note to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A
2007	1/31/2007	Gabriel Cohan	Documents related to Carol Lam's role in the investigation or prosecution of US v. Saathoff in the SD CA	Located 11 pages, withheld in full pursuant to Exemp 5.
2007	2/9/2007	Michael Ravnitzky	Interagency Agreements between the Department of justice and the Library of Congress Federal Research Division, during the time period January 1, 2000 to the present	No records
2007	3/9/2007	National Security Archive, Catherine Nielsen	FOIA expedited processing request statistics	No records; Note that FY 2001 annual report indicates 2 requests received expedited processing

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2007	3/20/2007	Elise Ackerman	FOIA requests by Electronic Privacy Information Center or Chris Hoofnagle	No records
2007	4/2/2007	The 9/11 Working Group (Mick Harrison)	Various records related to environmental testing around the World Trade Center site after 9/11	No records
2007	4/6/2007	Bernard Roemelle	Ethical Standards for Prosecutors Act, and all amendments; other codes of ethics for USAs and Gov attorneys; "any other information you may have PRAO, its policies and procedures of your department/agency;" a list of all pleadings from all cases which PRAO coordinated concerning professional misconduct	Provided 530(b), Hyde Amendment, 28 CFR 0.129, 28 CFR 77
2007	10/9/2007	Associated Press	A wide variety of requests related to Minnesota USA Rachel Paulose, the USAO in Minnesota, previous Minnesota USA Tom Heffelfinger, 2007 visits by DOJ official John Kelly, etc.	No records
2007	10/18/2007	Michael Ravnitzky	Electronic version of FOIA log for 2005, 2006, 2007	
2007	10/18/2007	Michael Ravnitzky	List of items in PRAO's electronic and physical reading rooms; "electronic copy of database opinions issued by PRAO since January 1, 2001; electronic copy of each manual or handbook issued by PRAO since January 1, 2005	