



**pennsylvania**  
OFFICE OF OPEN RECORDS

**ORDER**

**IN THE MATTER OF**

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**RONALD INGRAM,  
Requester**

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**v.**

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**Docket No.: AP 2016-1311**

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**DELAWARE COUNTY OFFICE OF  
JUDICIAL SUPPORT,  
Respondent**

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On June 17, 2016, Ronald Ingram (“Requester”) an inmate at the State Correctional Institution at Dallas (“SCI-Dallas”), submitted a request (“Request”) to the Delaware County Office of Judicial Support (“Office”) pursuant to the Right-to-Know Law (“RTKL”), 65 P.S. §§ 67.101 *et seq.*, seeking criminal court records. The Requester states he did not receive a complete response from the Office. On August 5, 2016, the Requester appealed to the Office of Open Records (“OOR”).

The Office is a judicial agency that is not subject to the jurisdiction of the OOR. *See* 65 P.S. § 67.102; 65 P.S. §67.503(b). The OOR does not have jurisdiction to hear appeals related to records of judicial agencies. *See* 65 P.S. § 67.503(b). Instead, appeals involving a judicial agency are to be heard by an appeals officer designated by the judicial agency. *Id.* (“A judicial agency shall designate an appeals officer to hear appeals under Chapter 11”).

For the foregoing reasons, Requester's appeal is **transferred** to Appeals Officer for the Delaware County Office of Judicial Support. This Final Determination is binding on all parties. Within thirty days of the mailing date of this Final Determination, either party may appeal to the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas. 65 P.S. § 67.1302(a). All parties must be served with notice of the appeal. The OOR also shall be served notice and have an opportunity to respond as per Section 1303 of the RTKL. However, as the quasi-judicial tribunal adjudicating this matter, the OOR is not a proper party to any appeal and should not be named as a party.<sup>1</sup> This Order shall be placed on the OOR website at: <http://openrecords.pa.gov>.

**ISSUED AND MAILED: August 9, 2016**

*/s/ Charles Rees Brown*

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Charles Rees Brown  
Chief Counsel

Sent to: Ronald Ingram (LT 4901) SCI-Dallas;  
Appeals Officer – Delaware County Office of Judicial Support

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<sup>1</sup> *Padgett v. Pa. State Police*, 73 A.3d 644, 648 n.5 (Pa. Commw. Ct. 2013).