



FINAL DETERMINATION

DATE ISSUED AND MAILED: May 18, 2026

IN RE: *Laura Crimaldi v. City of Philadelphia Police Department*, OOR Dkt. AP 2026-1925

Upon review of the appeal filed with the Office of Open Records (“OOR”) to the above-referenced docket number, it is determined that the appeal is **DISMISSED** because:

The appeal is untimely. The Request was received by the City of Philadelphia Police Department (“Department”) on March 12, 2026. The Department invoked a thirty-day extension to respond on March 19, 2026. Under the extension, the Department had five (5) business days, followed by thirty (30) calendar days, from March 12, 2026, to respond to the Request. 65 P.S. § 67.902(b)(1)-(2). As a result, the Department’s final response was due on or before April 20, 2026. Because the Department did not issue a final response by this date, the Request was deemed denied.¹ 65 P.S. § 67.902(b). Appeals of deemed denied Right-to-Know requests must be filed within 15 business days of the date of the deemed denial, or by May 11, 2026 in this instance. 65 P.S. § 67.1101(a)(1). The appeal was submitted to the OOR on May 14, 2026. The Requester is not prohibited from refileing the Request and, if necessary, filing a new appeal pursuant to the requirements of 65 P.S. § 67.1101(a)(1).

For this reason, the Department is not required to take any further action. Within thirty days of the mailing date of this Final Determination, either party may appeal or petition for review with the Philadelphia 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 according to court rules as per 65 P.S. § 67.1303, but 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.² All documents or communications following the issuance of this Final Determination shall be sent to oor-postfd@pa.gov. This Final Determination shall be placed on the website at: <http://openrecords.pa.gov>.

Issued by:

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Sent via e-file portal to: Requester, Agency Open Records Officer, Philadelphia Police Dep’t

¹ Along with the appeal documents, the Requester provided a final response issued by the Department on April 23, 2026; however, the Request had already been deemed denied as a matter of law. See 65 P.S. § 67.902(b).

² *Padgett v. Pa. State Police*, 73 A.3d 644, 648 n.5 (Pa. Commw. Ct. 2013).