



## FINAL DETERMINATION

DATE ISSUED AND MAILED: May 22, 2026

IN RE: *William Maitland v. Pennsylvania State Police*, OOR Dkt. AP 2026-1969

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 premature.** The Request was received by the Pennsylvania State Police (“PSP”) on May 13, 2026.<sup>1</sup> The PSP had five (5) business days from May 13, 2026 to respond to the Request, or until 11:59:59 p.m. on May 20, 2026. 65 P.S. § 67.901. The appeal was filed with the OOR on May 18, 2026; thus, the Requester did not allow sufficient time before filing the appeal.<sup>2</sup> The Requester is not prohibited from filing a new appeal of any denial or deemed denial stemming from the Request, pursuant to the requirements of 65 P.S. § 67.1101(a)(1).

For this reason, the PSP is not required to take any further action. Within thirty days of the mailing date of this Final Determination, you may appeal or petition for review with the Commonwealth Court. 65 P.S. § 67.1301(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. 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>3</sup> All documents or communications following the issuance of this Final Determination shall be sent to [oor-postfd@pa.gov](mailto:oor-postfd@pa.gov). This Final Determination shall be placed on the website at: <http://openrecords.pa.gov>.

Issued by:

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<sup>1</sup> The Appeal included a certified mail receipt with the date of delivery to the agency marked as 5/13/2026.

<sup>2</sup> The Appeal did not include a copy of the Request when originally filed and the OOR issued an Order notice of filing deficiency. The Requester cured the deficiency on May 20, 2026; however, as more fully explained above, the appeal is premature.

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