



FINAL DETERMINATION

DATE ISSUED AND MAILED: June 5, 2026

IN RE: *Matthew Sheffer v. Centre County*; OOR Dkt. AP 2026-2160

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 denied by Centre County (“County”) on May 1, 2026. Appeals of denied Right-to-Know requests must be filed within 15 business days of the date of the denial, or by May 22, 2026 in this instance. 65 P.S. § 67.1101(a)(1). The appeal was submitted to the OOR on May 26, 2026.¹ 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 County 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 Centre 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. 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.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 to: Requester, NV7636 (via U.S. Mail);
Agency Open Records Officer, Centre County (via e-file portal)

¹ The appeal was postmarked on May 26, 2026 and, pursuant to the prisoner’s mailbox rule, is considered to have been filed on that date.

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