



FINAL DETERMINATION

DATE ISSUED AND MAILED: September 16, 2026

IN RE: *Luddie Bellman v. Philadelphia Office of Judicial Records*; OOR Dkt. AP 2026-3834

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 OOR lacks jurisdiction. The Philadelphia Office of Judicial Records (“Office of Judicial Records”) is a judicial agency. The OOR does not have jurisdiction over judicial agencies. 65 P.S. § 65 P.S. 67.503(a)-(b). Case records can be requested from judicial records custodians pursuant to the Unified Judicial System’s Public Access Policy. More information can be found at <https://www.pacourts.us/public-records/public-records-policies>.

For this reason, the Office of Judicial Records 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.¹ 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>.

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