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OFFICE OF OPEN RECORDS

FINAL DETERMINATION

DATE ISSUED AND MAILED: November 4, 2026

IN RE: *Joshua Weiner v. City of Philadelphia Law Department*, OOR Dkt. AP 2026-4655

Upon review of the appeal filed with the Office of Open Records ("OOR") to the above-referenced docket number, as well as the parties' submissions, the appeal is **DENIED** because:

The records do not exist. On October 27, 2026, the City of Philadelphia Law Department ("Department") submitted a sworn attestation made under the penalty of perjury of Maria Vamvakidou ("Vamvakidou Attestation"), the Program Administrator and Open Records Officer for the City of Philadelphia Department of Sanitation, who attests that a search was conducted and that no responsive records exist in the Department's possession, custody or control. Ms. Vamvakidou states that after discussing the ticket with the Law Department's Right to Know Unit, she conducted a search for any CLIP violations or other sanitation violations for 1514 North American St. Vamvakidou Attestation, ¶4. Based upon this evidence, the Department demonstrated that it conducted a good faith search for responsive records and did not locate any. Therefore, based on the evidence provided, the Department has met its burden of proof. *Hodges v. Pa. Dep't of Health*, 29 A.3d 1190, 1192 (Pa. Commw. Ct. 2011).

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. § 67.13012(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.[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.

Issued by:

/s/ Taylor T. Clark

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