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RE: Right to Know Appeal

Dear Ms. Bell,

Thank you for filing an appeal pursuant to the Right to Know Law ("RTKL"). I have reviewed your original RTK request to Abington Township, the denial response by Abington Township, the correspondence and final determination of the PA Office of Open Records, and the letter to this Office.

Based on my review of those materials, and the relevant provisions of the RTKL, I am respectfully denying your appeal. Your request is for the production of all police and incident reports related to 16-039362 and all criminal complaints related to 16-039362. The RTKL exempts from release, however, "[a] record of an agency relating to or resulting in a criminal investigation." 65 P.S. § 67.708(b)(16). As such, the records you seek are indeed exempt from disclosure.

Please be advised that this is a final determination as permitted by law. You have thirty days to appeal. 65 P.S. §67.1302(a).

Very truly yours,

Robert M. Falin

Deputy District Attorney

Open Records Appeals Officer

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