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OPRA Request: Warren County

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To: Art Charlton <acharlton@co.warren.nj.us>

Please accept this e-mail/fax as my request for government records pursuant to the Open Public Records Act and the common law right of access. Please respond to this request and send all responsive documents to me at paff@pobox.com. Thank you.

Background:

I am interested in researching the frequency and nature of complaints brought, either internally or by an inmate or member of the public, against corrections officers who work at the Warren County Jail. I believe that the type of complaints I am interested in might be referred to as "Internal Affairs" matters. I understand that the records I request may first appear to be exempt from disclosure. However, I did receive such records from a different county and blogged about it [here](#).

Records Requested:

1. If the jail maintains a log of such complaints (I would imagine the log, if it exists, would contain fields such as "complainant name" "officer name" "date of complaint" etc.), I would like a copy of such log showing all such complaints filed between January 1, 2012 and present date. If you consider denying access to this record, please first a) confirm to me in writing of whether or not a responsive record exists and b) consider providing it me in redacted form rather than suppressing it in its entirety.

2. Only if no document exists in response to # 1 above, please provide me with the initial writing upon which each "Internal Affairs" complaint filed between January 1, 2012 and current date is based. I am referring to records such as a letter from an inmate or citizen complaining about a correctional officer's conduct or a initial charge levied internally against a corrections officer for violating a rule or

policy. If you consider denying access to this category of records, please first a) confirm to me in writing of whether or not a responsive records within this category exist and b) consider providing it me records in redacted form rather than suppressing them in their entirety.

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