

FINAL DETERMINATION

DATE ISSUED AND MAILED: April 13, 2018

IN RE: *Jim Garland v. Pennsylvania Department of State*, OOR Dkt. AP 2018-0622

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 deficient for the reason(s) specified below. Accordingly, the appeal is **DISMISSED**, and the agency is not required to take any further action.

- Appeal filed beyond fifteen (15) business days of denial/deemed denial.
- Appeal failed to include a copy of the Request and/or agency Response.
- Appeal failed to state why records are public records.
- Appeal failed to address agency grounds for denial of access to records.
- OOR lacks jurisdiction over agency from which records are sought.
- OOR lacks jurisdiction over local agency criminal investigative records.
- Other: Requester does not challenge the Agency’s grounds for denial. See 65 P.S. § 67.1101(a)(1). Additionally, the OOR does not have jurisdiction over Requester’s claims of fraud.

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

Issued by:
/s/ Kyle Applegate

Appeals Officer
Kyle Applegate

Sent to: Requester, Agency Open Records Officer

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