

February 20, 2018

Mr. Ryan Snow

RE: RYAN SNOW FOIA REQUEST

VIA email:

Dear Mr. Snow:

This is to acknowledge that Parkland Community College District No. 505 is in receipt of your *Freedom of Information Act* (FOIA) request dated February 16, received at 8:00AM on February 16, 2018, via electronic mail. As the Vice President for Administrative Services, I am responsible for processing requests for public information for the College, pursuant to *the Illinois Freedom of Information Act*, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq. In your e-mail, you requested that the College make available the following records:

Request: "...a copy of the background investigation report that was completed on myself (Ryan Snow DOB) conducted by the Parkland Police Department

Parkland College's Responses:

Response: The records requested are exempt from release under FOIA per 5 ILCS 140/7 (b) & (c).

- (b) Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order.
- (c) Personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information. "Unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" means the disclosure of information that is highly personal or objectionable to a reasonable person and in which the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining the information. The disclosure of information that bears on the public duties of public employees and officials shall not be considered an invasion of personal privacy.

While your request would always be exempt from release under FOIA as noted above, you additionally signed a waiver and release of all claims waiving your right to review the completed background investigation.

The public records indicated as being available for inspection and copying may be done under College staff supervision during the regular business hours of Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. You may schedule a time by calling my office at 217-351-2513 or via e-mail.

The fee for copying is fifteen cents (\$0.15) per page. Since, however, you desire to inspect all of the documents and copy only those documents you find relevant to your request, pursuant to the *Illinois Freedom of Information Act*, 5 ILCS 140/6(b), the College will provide the first fifty (50) black and white, letter-sized copies free of charge and then it will charge its standard rate for each copy thereafter.

As Vice President for Administrative Services, I am responsible for granting and denying the requests for records under the *Freedom of Information Act*. Please be aware that this response to your request is pursuant to my understanding of your FOIA request. If I have misunderstood your request, please let me know as soon as possible so I may provide the correct information.

Finally, if you believe that this response constitutes a denial of your request, you have the right to have this response reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor Office of the Attorney General 500 South 2nd Street Springfield, Illinois 62706 Fax: 217-782-1396

E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us

You also have the right to seek judicial review of this response by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor or State court, you will need to include a copy of this letter for the review.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Christopher M. Randles, CPA, CBM

Vice President for Administrative Services/CFO/Treasurer

CC:

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