

March 31, 2021

Sam Stecklow

RE: FOIA Request

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dear Mr. Stecklow:

This is to acknowledge that Parkland College District No. 505 is in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received March 24, 2021 via electronic mail.

Request:

"This is a request under ILFOIA. I request copies of the Parkland Community College Police Department written policies regarding the following:

- Citizen complaints
- Internal complaints
- Internal investigations
- Disciplinary proceedings
- Appeals of discipline
- Use of force
- Investigations of use of force"

Parkland College's Response:

The college has attached a .PDF file that contains the following:

- Complaint Form
- Use of Force Policy
- Discipline Article from the Public Safety Officers Association (PSOA) contract
- Champaign County Multi-Jurisdictional Investigation Team Operations (CCMIT)

Additionally, Citizen Complaints, Internal Complaints and Internal Investigations would be handled as outlined in UPODA 50 ILCS 725, linked on the Illinois General Assembly website at the following link:  
<https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs3.asp?ActID=736&ChapterID=11>

Use of Force cases would be reviewed for compliance to policy by a Sergeant. Use of Force cases involving Great Bodily Harm/Death to an individual would be investigated by the CCMIT. This is an investigation team led by the Illinois State Police, including investigators from member agencies in the county.

As Vice President for Communications and External Affairs, 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,



Stephanie L. Stuart  
Vice President for Communications and External Affairs

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