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# PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

April 19, 2022

By Electronic Mail

Mr. Andrew Quemere  
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Re: Public Records Request of March 4, 2022, SPR22/0651

Dear Mr. Quemere,

The Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (“Commission”) hereby provides this supplemental response to your March 4, 2022 public records request, in light of your request for review by the Supervisor of Public Records (“SPR”) and Determination SPR22/0651 dated April 4, 2022.

In your request, you stated as follows:

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Public Records Law (M.G.L. c.66, §10), I hereby request the following records:

\*All data regarding misconduct investigations of members of the Massachusetts State Police Department; please provide this data in the form of a spreadsheet, preferably in Excel format.

In a March 18, 2022 response, the Commission indicated that it “understands your request to call for the creation of a new spreadsheet that compiles all data regarding any Commission investigations into misconduct by members of the Massachusetts State Police.” You have not indicated that the Commission misunderstood the nature of the information that you are seeking.

The Commission does not possess any record responsive to your request.

Notwithstanding that fact, the Commission reiterates that the type of records you have requested would most likely fall within the scope of the confidentiality provision found at M.G.L. c. 6E, § 8(c)(2), and therefore not constitute public records based on the exemption set forth in M.G.L. c. 4, § 7, cl. 26(a).

The Commission notes, however, that it is currently in the process of developing a database that will enable members of the public to obtain various types of information regarding law enforcement officers and certain disciplinary actions taken against them. That database should prove to be a helpful resource for individuals, such as yourself, who have an interest in the conduct of law enforcement agencies and officers.

Once again, you have a right of administrative appeal to the SPR under M.G.L. c. 66, § 10A(a) and 950 C.M.R. 32.08(1), and a right to seek judicial review of an unfavorable decision by commencing a civil action in the Massachusetts Superior Court under M.G.L. c. 66, § 10A(c).

Nothing contained herein should be construed as a waiver of any rights, privileges, protections, immunities, claims, or defenses that may be available to the Commission, all of which are expressly preserved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Ravitz", is written over the typed name.

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