

March 3, 2017

VIA EMAIL

Mr. Dilbar ali Khan

RE: 17-FOIA-051 Photos - Accident 2/6/2017

Dear Mr. Khan:

We are in receipt of your request for information pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq. ("FOIA").

I. Background

On February 17, 2017, we received your request for copies of the photographs referenced in police report #MP-17-00005300, which was previously provided to you, regarding an accident occurring on February 6, 2017, involving ("Request"). Your Request is denied.

II. <u>Denial</u>

The photographs mentioned in police report #MP-17-00005300, are denied in their entirety for the following reasons: The photographs contain information relating to the death of an individual. In the interest of protecting the personal privacy of the deceased, these documents are denied pursuant to the exemption found in Section 7(1)(c) of the FOIA, which exempts "personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy...." Section 7(1)(c) goes on to say that, "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." As such, per Attorney Jamie Harrmann, it has been determined that your Request for these photographs is properly denied.

III. Right of Review

You have the right to have the denial of your Request reviewed by the Public Access Counselor ("PAC") of the Illinois Attorney General's Office. 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.

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If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial letter. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC.

You also have the right to seek judicial review of your partial denial by filing a lawsuit in the circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kathleen E. Haton

Freedom of Information Officer

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