July 29, 2019

VIA E-MAIL
Mr. Eric Harlston

RE: 19-FOIA-189 Discipline Hearings - MPD

Dear Mr. Harlston:

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

On July 15, 2019, we received your request for information for discipline hearings since 2015. We contacted you by email on July 16 to inform you that as written, your request was overly broad, and asked if you would clarify the type of records you were seeking. You responded that same day and clarified that you were requesting records pertaining to the police department. Specifically, from 2015 to the present, you wanted to know:

- how many officer hearings were joint and how many were independent;
- who decides the outcome of the hearings;
- out of all the officers who were disciplined, how many were retained and how many were dismissed; and
- what is the racial make-up of the officers

(“Request”).

In response to your Request, Metra is providing you with a spreadsheet for the time frame requested containing information regarding: the number of officer hearings that were conducted jointly and independently and the number of officers who were retained or dismissed.

After performing a diligent search of Metra’s records, we have been unable to locate any records responsive to the remainder of your Request.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Attachment