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August 9, 2018

Katy Smyser
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Communicated via email to: katy.smyser@nbcuni.com

Dear Ms. Smyser:

This letter is in response to your electronic *Freedom of Information Action* (FOIA) request received in my office on August 7, 2018.

Request: 1) *“RECORDS REQUESTED: Please provide me with records sufficient to show all cases where River Forest School District 90 paid a plaintiff or plaintiffs – by verdict, settlement or satisfaction—as the result of a sexual misconduct or sex/gender discrimination claim, from January 1, 2008 to the present. In addition, I am requesting all records of separation agreements and/or payments to individuals who stopped working with River Forest School District 90 after being accused of sexual misconduct, harassment, or sex/gender discrimination”*:

Response: There are no records that are responsive to your request.

As Superintendent of the District, 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 you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Condon, Ph.D.
Superintendent

From: Tracy Gutierrez gutierrez@district90.org
Subject: Fwd: 8.7.2018 FOIA Request from NBC5 Chicago
Date: August 14, 2018 at 9:35 AM
To:

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From: "Smyser, Katherine (NBCUniversal)" <Katy.Smyser@nbcuni.com>
Subject: 8.7.2018 FOIA Request from NBC5 Chicago
Date: August 7, 2018 at 2:40:58 PM CDT
To: "CondonE@district90.org" <CondonE@district90.org>

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August 7, 2018

Dr. Ed Condon
Superintendent
River Forest School District 90
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Sent via email to CondonE@district90.org

Dear Dr. Condon:

This is a request under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. I am sending this request to several hundred governmental entities in the Chicago area -- including River Forest School District 90.

Please provide me with records sufficient to show all cases where River Forest School District 90 paid a plaintiff or plaintiffs -- by verdict, settlement or satisfaction -- as the result of a sexual misconduct or sex/gender discrimination claim, from January 1, 2008 to the present.

Sexual misconduct and discrimination claims can include (but are not limited to) allegations of sexual harassment, sexual assault, rape, statutory rape, indecent exposure, obscenity, forcible sodomy, forcible fondling, disparate impact, retaliation related to sex or gender discrimination or misconduct, Illinois gender violence, and/or other sex- or gender-related allegations.

The records should each include a case number; name of party paid; payment amount; fees and costs (if kept separately); the allegations in the case, and the specific department, agency, and/or individual(s) involved in the litigation.

The records should also show all money paid to outside counsel in each case, including pending cases and cases with no settlement or judgment. The records should also include information about settlements or payments that did not involve a court of law.

In addition, I am requesting all records of separation agreements and/or payments to individuals who stopped working with River Forest School District 90 after being accused of sexual misconduct, harassment, or sex/gender discrimination.

You can send these records to me at katy.smyser@nbcuni.com . If the records are too large to send via email, please contact me as soon as possible so that I can make other arrangements to get these records from you.

If [*reference to agency] has had no such claims or payments in the past ten years, please let me know that as well.

Because this request is in the public interest, I ask that you waive all fees. And if you choose to deny any part of this request, please let me know why.

If you have any questions, or if there is any way in which I can help you with this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at katy.smyser@nbcuni.com, or at my office at 312-836-3187.

Thank you so much for your help with this request.

Sincerely,

Katy Smyser