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## FOIA request

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Jared Rutecki &lt;nbc5bga@gmail.com&gt;

Tue, Aug 7, 2018 at 11:20 AM

Bcc: foia@d107.org

This is a request under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

Please provide me with records sufficient to show all cases where a plaintiff or plaintiffs were paid -- 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 in your government, department or agency after being accused of sexual misconduct, harassment, or sex/gender discrimination.

You can send these records to me at [nbc5bga@gmail.com](mailto:nbc5bga@gmail.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 you have 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 [nbc5bga@gmail.com](mailto:nbc5bga@gmail.com), or at my office at 312-821-9032.

Thank you so much for your help with this request.

Sincerely,

Jared Rutecki  
Investigative Reporter  
Better Government Association

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August 15, 2018

**RE: RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST**

Dear Mr. Rutecki:

Thank you for writing to Pleasantdale School District No. 107 with your request for information pursuant to the Illinois *Freedom of Information Act* ("FOIA"), 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*

Your request is restated below:

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The District has not been able to locate any records responsive to your request.

Although we have not denied access to any existing public records, to the extent that you consider this response a denial of your request, you may have the right to have this response reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

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E-mail: [publicaccess@atg.state.il.us](mailto: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. 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. Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this response letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC.

As one of the District's designated FOIA Officers, I am responsible for the District's response to your FOIA request. This response letter is intended to be fully responsive to your specific request. If I have misunderstood your request in any way, please clarify your request in writing to me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank Adams', written over a horizontal line.

Frank Adams, FOIA Officer