



PUBLIC ADVOCATE FOR THE CITY OF NEW YORK

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July 9, 2021

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VIA EMAIL: elena@judgewatch.org

Re: FOIL & WEBSITE REQUEST – Section 24 of the New York City Charter Pertaining to the Public Advocate’s Duties

Thank you again for your Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request, May 17th, 2021. After conducting a search based on your FOIL request, we were unable to provide responsive documents. (N.Y. Pub. Off. Law § 89[3][a]).

Pursuant to FOIL, this is to request any proposals made by Public Advocate Williams to clarify his supposedly “ambiguously” worded duties – as such would be a duty of his office, if, in fact, there was anything “ambiguously” worded about the public advocate’s duties “laid out in Section 24 of the City Charter”.

Any appeal of this determination may be directed to Michael Twomey, Esq., Records Appeal Officer, at One Centre St., 15th Floor North, New York, NY 10007 or via email at RecordsAccessAppeals@pubadvocate.nyc.gov.

Very truly yours,
Wesley Paisley, Esq.
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Re: FOIL -- Procedures required to be established by the public advocate pursuant to Section 24(g) of the New York City Charter

Thank you again for your Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request, May 11th, 2021. After conducting a search based on your FOIL request, we grant your request.

As I am unable to locate such promulgated "procedures" on the public advocate's website: <https://www.pubadvocate.nyc.gov/>, I request same, pursuant to FOIL – and particularly with regard to "procedures for...processing complaints, responding to complainants" – and "inform[ing] the public about such procedures".

Please see attached our Constituent Services department policy.

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