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Dear Ms. Kanu:

We are in receipt of your Arkansas Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated September 21, 2022, for the following:

> Full copies of all contracts, memorandums of understanding, retainer agreements and/or other written agreements between your agency and Physicians for Responsible Opioid Prescribing (also known as "PROP" or "Health Professionals for Responsible Opioid Prescribing") or any of the following individuals:
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> David Courtwright
> Gary Franklin
> Adriane Fugh-Berman
> Andrew Kolodny
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Please be advised that, to the extent that this office keeps any records that would be responsive to your request, such records would nevertheless be exempt from disclosure as the working papers, memoranda, or correspondence of the Attorney General. See Ark. Code Ann. § 25-19-105(b)(7). Your request is therefore respectfully denied.

Best regards,

/s/ Julie Benafield

Julie Benafield
Chief Deputy Attorney General