

U.S. Department of Justice

Drug Enforcement Administration FOI/Records Management Section 8701 Morrissette Drive Springfield, Virginia 22152

Case Number: 18-00461-F

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Subject: Any and all records of payments made for rental properties or purchase properties including records of reimbursements for employee or contractor use of properties within the following zip code 02906 in Providence, RI from 2017 to 2018

MuckRock Community MuckRock News DEPT MR 51238 411-A Highland Ave Somerville, Massachusetts 02144-2516

Via E-Mail: 51238-63273201@requests.muckrock.com

Dear MuckRock Community:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Act (FOI/PA) request dated March 30, 2018, addressed to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Unit (SARF), seeking access to information regarding the above subject.

We have received your reformulation letter dated April 19, 2018 and are unable to complete a search. A proper Freedom of Information Act request for records must reasonably describe the records sought. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(3)(A). After carefully reviewing your request, we have determined that you did not reasonably describe the subject of your request for us to conduct a search. It appears that you are seeking DEA Office of Professional Responsibility (ORP) records; however, OPR does not index records by address. Therefore, we are not able to conduct a search for records based on the description you have provided.

Additionally, please be advised that the information provided in your reformulated letter to conduct a "simplistic keyword search for responsive records within any email or document repository" is insufficient to conduct a reasonable search for responsive electronic records, since electronic records are not maintained in one central location or indexed solely by keyword. As a result of the deficiencies in your reformulated request, we are unable to conduct a reasonable search. However, you are invited to submit a new request clarifying the location of records sought, including specific named accounts for a search of electronic records by keyword.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 202-307-7596 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

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If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions regarding this letter, you may contact Paralegal Samantha E. Preston at 202-307-6183.

Sincerely,

Katherine L. Myrick, Chief

Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Unit

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