



Jorge O. Elorza, Mayor

April 15, 2019

Exhibit E

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Veronika Kot, Esq. Rhode Island Legal Services, Inc. 56 Pine Street, Suite 400 Providence, RI 02903

RE: APRA Request 19-262

Dear Attorney Kot,

I am in receipt of your petition, received on April 2, 2019, pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws § 38-2-8, in which you seek review of the Public Records Unit's response to your March 18, 2019 request for records. Specifically, you seek a "full copy of the Notice/Communication and attachments, if any, provided to the Providence School District by the US Department of Justice, indicating that the United States has identified conditions that violate Section 1703(f) of the Equal Educational Opportunities Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. 1701 et. seq. (EEOA)." You indicate that this notice was referenced as having been provided in March of 2018 in a settlement agreement entered into between the United States and Providence Public Schools.

I affirm the decision of the Public Records Unit to withhold responsive records as those records may be properly withheld pursuant to §§ 38-2-2(4)(A)(I)(a), 38-2-2(4)(E), 38-2-2(4)(K) and 38-2-2(4)(P).

In accordance with Rhode Island General Laws § 38-2-8, you may wish to file a complaint with the Department of the Attorney General or the Rhode Island Superior Court.

Regards,

Jeffrey Dana, Esq. City Solicitor

Cc:

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