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TO: Tina Renna

FAX NUMBER: 908. 709. 9209

FROM: Marlena M. Russo

DATE: June 3, 2009

RE: 5/29/09 OPRA request for the following records:

Copy of the letter Freeholder Sullivan read during the meeting from the Sussex County Prosecutor's office.

NUMBER OF PAGES (including cover): 5

COMMENTS: Attached please find the document(s) completing your OPRA request. Kindly sign and date the Government Records Request Response form under "Acknowledgement" and send it back to my attention. You may do so via fax, regular mail, e-mail, or in-person, using my contact information previously provided. If you have any questions, please call me at (908) 527-4178. Thank you!

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County of Sussex

February 13, 2009

Honorable Salem Vincent Ahto, JSC
New Jersey Superior Court
Washington and Court Streets
Morristown, NJ 07960

Re: State v. Karen Golding
Termination Hearing

Dear Judge Ahto:

I am writing to provide procedural and factual background concerning the case history of the above matter. This case is currently listed before Your Honor on February 20, 2009 to determine whether Ms. Golding should continue in the Pretrial Intervention Program, or be terminated from further participation.

Questions Presented at the Hearing

From the State's prospective, there are two fundamental questions for the Court's determination: (1) whether Karen Golding violated the conditions of her PFI admission, either in a direct or peripheral manner and (2) whether under the totality of the circumstances presented, Ms. Golding has otherwise demonstrated that she is no longer an appropriate PFI candidate because she cannot be rehabilitated within the time frame of PFI. The state submits that if either of these questions are answered in the affirmative, Ms. Golding should be terminated from Pretrial Intervention.

supervision for making improper contacts of Cryan family members. Even if Golding can legally make OPRA requests, the question is why Union Township? Why is she seeking Financial Disclosure information of Joseph Cryan's sister? Is this not a message to Joe Cryan, and the rest of Cryan family, that she is still around, undeterred; and that one way, or another, she will find a way to disrupt their peace? It should be noted that my office received two letters from Ms. Birch detailing her concern. (Exhibit H).

Third, on November 5, 2008, Karen Golding wrote a letter to Governor Jon. S. Corzine. In the letter she stated:

I have been told I was not considered for reappointment by your administration because of my previous personal relationship with NJ State Democratic Chairman Joseph Cryan. As you are aware, regrettably during the course of that extremely difficult time in my life, as it is well documented; I was subjected to a tremendous amount of abuse; including the loss of a child. Ironically, as I have learned throughout this ordeal, abusers often retain power and control to continue to unduly influence hurt and punish. (Exhibit I)

These remarks are simply defamatory. They are aimed at besmirching the reputation of Mr. Cryan. They are being made formally, to the Governor; a person Mr. Cryan must work with closely. To what end are such patently false comments being made?

Fourth, on November 14, 2008, Tina Renna filed an OPRA request seeking emails between Karen Golding and Joseph Cryan for the period of 2003 to 2006 (Exhibit J). Importantly, Ms. Renna sought Karen Golding's personal email accounts and Mr. Cryan's personal email accounts. It was assumed, by the victim, that Golding put Renna up to this; that Renna was making this request for Golding because Golding,

herself, could not get the information. The victims' attorney stated "in light of the no contact order, it would be a violation if Ms. Renna made this request on behalf of Ms. Golding." The State agrees.

SCPO Detective Paul Mueller contacted Tina Renna and Ms. Renna confirmed that Karen Golding had approached her and asked her to file an OPRA request for the above referenced information. Ms. Golding also supplied Renna with her personal email information, as well as Joe Cryan's personal and business email information.

At the time Ms. Golding engaged in these ill-advised activities, she was contacting Probation, and my office, to determine if she could be terminated early from the PTI program.

APPLICATION OF PTI GUIDELINES

The fundamental issue is whether based on Golding's continued contacts with Cryan family members, and her poor efforts at rehabilitation, she is fit to proceed in the PTI program. It is clear that her amenability to the program is tied directly to the question of whether she can be rehabilitated within the PTI time period. For example, the Official Comment to Guideline 1 states that PTI is a rehabilitative model that "seeks to solve personal problems which tend to result from conditions that appear to cause crime." The guideline also provides that PTI seeks to remove from ordinary prosecution those who can be deterred from criminal behavior by short term rehabilitative work or supervision. *It must be emphasized that the potential for*



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Part C - GOVERNMENT RECORDS REQUEST RESPONSE

Requestor: Tina Renna- UKWA Request Date: May 29, 2009

Document(s) provided 3 pages, at a total cost of no cost ** copy of letter Freehold Sullivan read during the meeting from the Sussex County Prosecutor's Office*

Special Service Charge imposed - Reason: _____

Document(s) have been inspected by the requestor on the date shown below _____

Document(s) not provided (see below)

The document(s) you have requested that are checked below are NOT being provided because the document(s) are considered privileged or are otherwise exempt from public access, as provided by applicable law:

Privileged or Protected Category	Authority for Denial or Redaction
<input type="checkbox"/> Advisory, Consultative or Deliberative material	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Autopsy Photos / Video	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Attorney-Client Privilege Information	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Computer Security Information	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Investigatory Records	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card Numbers	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Security (Sabotage or Terrorism)	Executive Order 21 (McGreevey)
<input type="checkbox"/> Grievance Information with public employer	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Drivers' License Numbers	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic Surveillance Materials	N.J.S.A. 2A:156A-19
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Security Information or Procedures	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Employee Sexual Harassment Complaints	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Fingerprint Cards	Executive Order 9 (Hughes)
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual's Medical, Financial, or Tax records	Executive Order 26 (McGreevey)
<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Communications	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Investigation in Progress	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-3a
<input type="checkbox"/> Labor Negotiation Information (strategy or positions)	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Personnel or Pension Records	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-10
<input type="checkbox"/> Photographs of Crime Scene	Executive Order 9 (Hughes)
<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Reasonable Expectation of Privacy	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Resumes of unsuccessful applicants	Executive Order 26 (McGreevey)
<input type="checkbox"/> Safety of persons or the public	Executive Order 69 (Whitman)
<input type="checkbox"/> Security Measures and Surveillance Techniques	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Security Numbers	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq
<input type="checkbox"/> Test Questions, Scoring Keys, or other Exam Data	Executive Order 26 (McGreevey)
<input type="checkbox"/> Victim records	N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1; N.J.S.A. 2A:82-46b
<input type="checkbox"/> Record has been destroyed/not retained pursuant to:	Records Retention and Disposition Schedule
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

You have a right to appeal this decision that the documents requested are not accessible. You may take your appeal to the Government Records Council (GRC) or to the New Jersey Superior Court as provided by N.J.S.A. 47:1A-6 and 7. Please see the attached "Part D - Procedures to Challenge Denial of Access to Government Records" and GRC information.

Date: 6/3/09 M. Florio
County Official

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I hereby acknowledge that I have received copies of, or have been permitted to view/inspect, the documents requested except for any documents specifically listed above on which a determination has been made that the documents could not be provided in accordance with applicable law. If any documents have not been provided, I have received information as to the procedures for an appeal of the determination.

Date: 6/3/09 _____
Requestor's Signature

Version 11/07 (prior editions obsolete)