



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
Office of the General Treasurer

**Seth Magaziner**  
General Treasurer

September 9, 2015

VIA EMAIL ONLY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
IL Midlothian  
United States

RE: Public Records Request

Dear [REDACTED]:

We write in response to your August 17, 2015 request for information pursuant to the Rhode Island Access to Public Records Act (APRA). Your specific request is noted below along with our corresponding response:

*I am formally requesting the accounting list that contains either monies escheated to the State or of those monies being held locally at the County level. Specifically, I am looking for a list that would contain overages from foreclosure sales and/or tax sales, and/or unclaimed inheritance monies (estates). I would not like to receive the foreclosure list, but rather the accounting list of surplus funds aka excess proceeds, remainders, overbids, unclaimed warrants, and the same for estate funds. As I realize that there is not usually a list specifically created to cover just these overages or estate funds, I request the following:*

*- Any list that shows the amount of the overage, AND the case file number/descriptor. This can be done on an annual, quarterly or monthly basis (aging report), but if the monthly list changes as a result of monies being moved to accounts, I would need the monthly lists so as not to miss monies that have been transferred to investment accounts or have been escheated to the State. I understand that this list may include monies from other sources, so a list with additional monies is fine, so long as I can tell by the file or case name what the source of the monies are.*

*- If a list is not available to the above specifications, then a list of monies escheated to the State will suffice. Specifically, a list showing the case or file number or reference, and the amount escheated. As above, a list that has additional monies is fine, as long as the type of monies are ascertainable, by reference of type of case or file number.*

*To further clarify, I am not looking for any list that details monies that have already been disbursed from the file to individuals or companies. However, if that distinction can not be made, I would rather have the entire list and will simply check availability of the monies file by file. Escheated monies that have been sent to the State are fine.*

There is no single document responsive to your request in the format requested. Some of the information you seek can be found in Treasury's unclaimed property database which is already available via online search on the Unclaimed Property page of Treasury's website at <http://treasury.ri.gov/treasury-divisions/unclaimed-property/>. We refer you to the Department of Taxation's website <http://www.tax.ri.gov/> for information regarding tax sales.

If you contend you have been denied access to public records, pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws §38-2-8, you may appeal this decision to Jeffrey M. Padwa, General Counsel for the Rhode Island General Treasurer's Office, 50 Service Avenue, 2nd Floor, Warwick, RI 02886. You may also file a complaint with the Department of the Attorney General, 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903 or the Rhode Island Superior Court of the county where the records are maintained.

Additional information regarding the Access to Public Records Act may be found at <http://www.riag.ri.gov/civil/opengovernment>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amanda D. Lucas', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Amanda D. Lucas  
Public Records Officer