

## **Employees' Retirement System** of Rhode Island

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RE: Public Records Request

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Dear Mr

We write in response to your April 13, 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.

Request 1- Amounts paid in fiscal year 2013-14 for reimbursement of expenses accrued for travel, education and lodging by staff and/or trustees of the Employees' Retirement System of Rhode Island, with itemizations to the extent provided in the original records.

Request 2- Amounts paid in fiscal year 2014-15 (to date) for reimbursement of expenses accrued for travel, education and lodging by staff and/or trustees of the Employees' Retirement System of Rhode Island, with itemizations to the extent provided in the original records.

Response to Request 1 and 2: Attached please find a document responsive to your request. The information you seek is not readily available and we estimate that it would require approximately 30 hours for search and retrieval of additional responsive documents and complete analysis to determine what documents and/or portions of documents would be responsive to your request. Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws §38-2-4 we may charge \$15.00 per hour (with the first hour free) for search and retrieval. If you would like for us to undertake this search and retrieval, kindly provide pre-payment in the amount of \$435.00 to our office.

Please be advised that payment does not guarantee that the records you have requested constitute public records (in whole or in part, i.e. redacted), but only authorizes this office to conduct a search and retrieval to determine if responsive records exist. Should actual fees exceed the pre-payment estimate, this office will advise you and seek your authorization before continuing. Should your pre-payment exceed actual search, retrieval, and copying, you will, of course, be reimbursed. Please note the time in which our office has to respond to your request is tolled until the fees are paid.

Request 3- Copies of employment contracts for any staff member of the Employees' Retirement System of Rhode Island.

The Employees' Retirement System of Rhode Island has no contracted staff members.

If you contend you have been denied access to public records, pursuant to RIGL §38-2-8, you may appeal this decision to Frank J. Karpinski, Executive Director of the Employees' Retirement System of Rhode Island, 50 Service Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 <a href="http://www.riag.ri.gov/civil/opengovernment">http://www.riag.ri.gov/civil/opengovernment</a>.

Thank you for your interest in keeping government open and accountable to the public.

Sincerely,

Gayle C. Mambro-Martin, Esq. Public Records Officer