

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

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RE: Public Records Request

Dear Mr.

We write in response to your January 5, 2015 request for information pursuant to the Rhode Island Access to Public Records Act (APRA). Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws §38-2-3(e) we are providing you with notification that an additional 20 business days is needed to comply with your request in order to retrieve materials from our offsite storage facility and analyze them for existence of responsive documents.

Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws §38-2-4 we estimate that it would require approximately 3 hours at \$15.00 per hour (with the first hour free) for search and retrieval of documents and complete analysis to determine what documents and/or portions of documents would be responsive to your request. If you would like for us to undertake this analysis and review, kindly provide pre-payment in the amount of \$30.00 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.

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 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 Mambro-Martin, Esq. Public Records Officer