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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order
Oregon Department of Education
DOJ File No.: 581110-GA0108-25-25

Dear Ms. Edwards:

This letter is the Attorney General's response to your petition under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.311 to 192.478. Your petition asks the Attorney General to order the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to disclose a specific video. Your petition explains that you are a former employee of the Oregon School for the Deaf (OSD).[1] Your petition states that you created the video at issue by using OSD's cloudHQ system while you were still employed by OSD. Your petition attaches extensive correspondence between you and ODE concerning your public records request. The correspondence shows that you reached an agreement with ODE to provide records responsive to certain search parameters between March 1, 2024, and November 22, 2024.

We contacted ODE's records officer Haedon Brunelle. He explained that ODE's information systems specialist conducted the searches you requested pursuant to the agreed parameters and located 21 responsive videos from the cloudHQ system between March 1, 2024, and November 22, 2024. He explained that those videos were provided to you in response to your records request. ODE found no additional responsive videos.

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[1] ODE has acknowledged that ODE is the custodian of any records responsive to your requests concerning the Oregon School for the Deaf.

Under the circumstances, we have no reason to second-guess Mr. Brunelle's representation that ODE searched for records pursuant to the agreement it reached with you and provided you with all responsive records. And because we cannot order the ODE to disclose a record it has not located, we must respectfully deny your petition.

Sincerely,

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