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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order
Oregon Department of Corrections
DOJ File No.: 291200 GA0171-26

Dear Mr. Greene:

This letter is the Attorney General's response to your petitions for disclosure under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.311 to 192.478. Your first petition challenges the Oregon Department of Corrections' (ODOC) denial of your fee waiver request. Your second petition takes issue with ODOC's response to an inquiry you made. For the reasons discussed below, we respectfully deny both petitions.

We first address your request for a fee waiver. Agencies may establish fees reasonably calculated to recover actual costs in making public records available, but "may furnish copies without charge or at a substantially reduced fee if the custodian determines that the waiver or reduction of fees is in the public interest because making the record available primarily benefits the general public." ORS 192.324(4) and (5). The furnishing of public records primarily benefits the general public when its greatest utility is to the community or society as a whole. *See In Defense of Animals*, 199 Or App 160, 189 (2005). And regardless of how interested the public may be in a particular matter, if the requester fails to demonstrate the ability to meaningfully disseminate the requested information, disclosure will not primarily benefit the general public. *See Attorney General's Public Records and Meetings Manual* at 19 (2024) ("*Manual*"). A requester who believes there has been an unreasonable denial of a fee waiver or reduction may petition the Attorney General for review. ORS 192.324(6).

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On June 29, 2026, you requested certain emails between ODOC personnel "as they relate solely to AIC Shane Vondel Michael Greene." After receiving a fee estimate, you requested a waiver, which ODOC denied. Under the circumstances, we cannot conclude that ODOC was required to waive its fees. Given the nature of the records you seek, your request seems primarily intended to serve your private interests. And the available record fails to demonstrate that you have any ability to meaningfully disseminate the information to the general public. We therefore respectfully deny your first petition.

Your second petition states that you made an informational request to ODOC on May 26, 2026.[1] We contacted ODOC's Public Records Program Manager, Toby Tooley, about your petition, but he was unable to locate a record of your request. Regardless, ODOC had no obligation to respond because the Public Records Law does not require agencies to analyze records, answer questions, or respond to informational requests.[2] For this reason, we respectfully deny your second petition.

Sincerely,

BENJAMIN GUTMAN
Deputy Attorney General

DEP/pjn
c via email only: Toby Tooley, Records Officer, Oregon Department of Corrections

[1] You state that you requested the following information:

1. Who is DRCI Nurse Practitioner Christian Hankins licensed through?
2. Is DRCI Nurse Practitioner Hankins licensed through the Oregon State Board of Nursing?
3. Is DRCI Nurse Practitioner Hankins licensed through the Oregon Medical Board?
4. What is DRCI Nurse Page's full birth name?
5. What nursing board is Nurse Page licensed with?
6. Has Nurse Page ever worked for the Florida Department of Corrections, and/or GEO Group in Florida DOC?
7. Has Nurse Page ever worked for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) in any capacity?
8. Has Nurse Page ever worked as a nurse in the state of Florida?

[2] *See Attorney General's Public Records and Meetings Manual* at 6 (2024).