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[emailed to Katy.Smyser@nbcuni.com]

Katherine Smyser NBC Universal

Dear Ms. Smyser:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on Oct. 26, 2016.

You have requested all ISBE Educator Misconduct Reporting Forms that have been submitted (via mail, e-mail, or other delivery) to ISBE from January 1, 2012 to the present, along with any additional documentation provided along with the misconduct reports. I am attaching a blank copy of the ISBE Educator Misconduct Reporting Form, for your reference.

This request is denied pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1) (a) and 105 ILCS 5/21B-75(e). Only complaints that become evidence in misconduct sanction hearings would be subject to release. All educator licensure sanction files from FY 2013-17 can be viewed at the following link: http://www.isbe.net/EMP/default.htm.

If you feel you have been denied your access to public records, you may file an appeal with the Office of the Attorney General's Public Access Counselor at 500 S. Second St., Springfield, IL 62706 or publicaccess@atg.state.il.us. If you choose to submit a request for review, you must do so within 60 days after the date of this response letter. The request for review must be in writing, signed by you and include (i) a copy of your FOIA request and (ii) this office's response. In addition, you have the right to seek judicial review of this response.

If you have questions, please contact Megan Griffin at (217) 782-4648 or mgriffin@isbe.net.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Stevens Deputy General Counsel- Program Support