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In re: Open Records Appeal; Woolslair Elementary School altercation

Dear Attorney Madden and Open Records Officer Liss:

As you know, on October 5, 2018, I requested that the City of Pittsburgh submit a certified statement from an appropriate individual attesting to the fact that the requested items that were not provided to the requester were gathered as part of a criminal investigation and are thus covered by the claimed criminal investigative exemption, 65 P.S. §67.708(b)(16). (See Appendix A, attached). I have received such statement from Deputy Police Chief Thomas Stangrecki. (See Appendix B, attached). I must therefore deny the request for access. Please be advised that pursuant to Section 1302 of the RTKL, the parties have 30 days to appeal my decision to the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County.

Very truly yours,

Michael W. Streily
Deputy District Attorney
Open Records Appeals Office