



Police Department
JAMES P. STAUFFIGER
CHIEF OF POLICE

APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC ACCESS TO RECORDS




To: Town of Tonawanda Police Records Access Officer
I wish to inspect and/or receive a copy of the following record(s):

DATE: 1/16/25

Complaint #: _____ Date of Incident: 5/11/2023 Police Report: _____ MV104-A: _____

Location of Incident: GM Tonawanda Engine, 2995 River Rd., Buffalo, NY, 14207

Other: (Identify as clearly as possible i.e. dates, names, addresses) A copy of the complete investigation file regarding the injury incident of victim Ioan Suiugan (D.O.B.: 2/27/1961) at the GM Tonawanda Engine plant including, but not limited to, police reports, 911 recordings or transcripts, witness statements, video recordings, investigation report with supporting exhibits, laboratory reports.


SIGNATURE

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Type of copy in which records are preferred if approved:

HARD COPY

EMAIL ☒

Any person denied access to records may appeal the denial within 30 days of the denial. Such appeals should be addressed to the Town of Tonawanda Appeals Officer, Michael Kooshoian, 2919 Delaware Ave., Room 2, Kenmore, New York 14217.

FOR AGENCY USE ONLY

REQUEST ACCEPTED BY (Please Print Name / Badge #)

DATE

APPROVED: Date _____ # of Photocopies: _____ AMOUNT (OWED) (PAID): (.25¢/page \$1.00/CD-DVD) \$ _____

☐ EMAILED (No Charge) – Attach Copy of printed sent email for verification

☐ RECORD/DOCUMENT DOES NOT EXIST (Freedom of Information Law pertains to existing records. Section 89(3) of that Statute provides in part that an agency is not required to prepare a record that is not maintained by the agency in response to a request. In short, if the record in question does not exist, the Freedom of Information Law would not apply.)

☐ DENIED (for the reason(s) checked below)

- ☐ Exempted by statute other than Freedom of Information
- ☐ Unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- ☐ Would impair contract awards or collective bargaining agreements
- ☐ Trade secret; confidential commercial information
- ☐ Law enforcement records
- ☐ Would endanger the life or safety of any person
- ☐ Interagency or intra-agency materials
- ☐ Record is not maintained by this agency
- ☐ Record of which this agency is legal custodian cannot
- ☐ Other (specify) _____

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SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE RELEASING INFORMATION

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INFORMATION RELEASED

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January 10, 2025

To: Johnny Suiugan

RE: *Ioan Suiugan*

Dear Johnny:

Please allow this correspondence to confirm our conversation wherein we discussed securing a Freedom of Information Act request to Tonawanda Police Department. Please be advised that we are not taking on representation of your father's Estate. As a courtesy, we are making the Freedom of Information Act request at your request. We are not going to pursue this case any further and our involvement will be limited to making the Freedom of Information Act request.

As discussed, this office is not licensed in the State of New York, where your lawsuit will probably have to be filed.

This office would recommend that you contact counsel in New York for further representation if you decide to pursue this matter.

Otherwise, upon receipt of a response from the Tonawanda Police Department with regard to our Freedom of Information Act request, we will not have any further involvement with this matter.

We are not sure what the statute of limitations is in New York but recommend that you contact counsel in that regard to verify that a claim is timely filed in the event you wish to pursue this matter further.

We will not open a file and, as discussed, you will pick up your file materials.

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