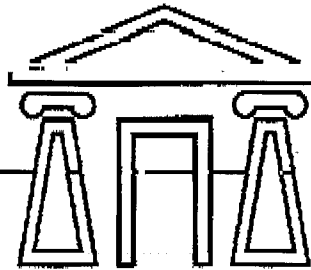


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**Re: Public Records Act Request**

Dear Gentilepersons:

Pursuant to Art. I, Sec. 3(b) of the California Constitution<sup>1</sup> and Government Code §§ 6250, *et seq.*, request is hereby made for the following public records:

- 1 The number of qualified applications received for job openings within the City of Oakland Fire Department during the past five (5) years. Please specify the number of applications for each year and the job classifications of each.

<sup>1</sup> Proposition 56 was overwhelmingly passed by the citizens of California in 2006 to establish a Constitutional right of access to government information and expanded the rights set forth in the CPRA (Govt. Code § 6250 *et seq.*). Art. I, Sec. 3(b)(1) of the California Constitution states "The people have the right of access to information concerning the conduct of the people's business, and, therefore, the meetings of public bodies and the writings of public officials and agencies shall be open to public scrutiny." Section 3(b)(2) states that any authority "shall be broadly construed if it furthers the people's right of access, and narrowly construed if it limits the right of access."

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2. The number of job openings within the City of Oakland Fire Department during the past five (5) years offered to job applicants. Please specify the number of applications for each year and the job classifications of each.
3. The number of applicants that accepted job offers within the City of Oakland Fire Department during the past five (5) years. Please specify the number of applicants for each year and the job classifications of each.
4. The number of individuals who have separated from employment with the City of Oakland Fire Department during the past five (5) years. For purposes of this request, "separation of employment" may either be voluntary or involuntary, including retirement. Please specify the number of separation for each year, the job classifications of each separation, and whether the separation was employee or employer initiated.


As used herein, the term "writing" shall mean handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostating, photographing, and every other means of recording any form of communication or representation, including letters, words, pictures, signs, or symbols or combinations thereof, and any and all papers, maps, magnetic or paper tapes, photographic films and prints, magnetic or punch cards, disks, drums, and other documents.

Demand is hereby made that within ten days from receipt of this request a determination is made whether the City of Oakland will produce, in whole or in part, the aforementioned requested public records in your possession. Should you deny any of the above requested records, please set forth the names, titles, and positions of each person responsible for the denial and the reasons therefor. Further, please advise as to the estimate of any photocopying expense necessitated by this request.

Please advise as to the estimate of any photocopying expense necessitated by this request. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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