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DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL RIGHTS  
DETROIT

DANIEL H. KRICHBAUM  
DIRECTOR

August 15, 2013

Mr. Paul J. Harcz, Jr.  
1365 E. Mt. Morris Road  
Mount Morris, MI 48458

Re: MDCR# 446441 Your request dated August 9, 2013 for Public Records  
under the Freedom of Information Act

Dear Mr. Harcz, Jr.:

On August 10, 2013, the department received your request for a copy and/ or inspection of the following:

Access to Civil Rights Commission minutes for 2013 and the 2012 Department of Civil Rights Annual report.

I have been informed that the 2012 Annual Report has not been completed and is not available at this time.

Your request for the Commission minutes for 2013 is granted. Attached are the minutes for January, March, May and two in July, 2013. The July minutes can also be found on the Department's website.

Your request has been granted in part and denied in part. The requested documents are enclosed. The copying fee has been waived for this request for administrative reasons.

Your request for the following materials was denied:

The Department of Civil Rights 2012 Annual Report

The separation/deletion(s) and/or denial(s) are based on the following provision(s) of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act:

**MCL 15 Sec 5. (4) (b) (cert. that no record exists)**

Notice shall contain a certificate that the record does not exist under the name given by the requester, or any other name reasonably known to the public body.

## TO APPEAL DENIAL OF A FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST, YOU MAY:

1. Appeal this decision in writing to the department director:

DANIEL H. KRICHBAUM, Director  
Michigan Department of Civil Rights  
3054 West Grand Boulevard  
Suite 3-600  
Detroit, MI 48202

The writing must specifically state the word "appeal" and must identify the reason you believe the denial should be reversed. The department director must respond to your appeal within 10 days of its receipt. Under unusual circumstances, the time for response to your appeal may be extended by 10 business days.

2. File an action in circuit court to compel disclosure of the records. The action must be filed within 180 days after the date of the denial. If you prevail in such an action, the court is to award reasonable attorney fees, costs and disbursements. Further, if court finds the denial to be arbitrary and capricious, you may receive punitive damages in the amount of \$500.00.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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