

ABC7 Chicago FOIA Request: Challenged Books

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Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 6:35 PM

Dear Norridge SD 80,

Via FOIA, I request access to and/or a copy of data on reconsideration forms or other forms that challenge library books. For this request, please provide what can be shared of the following:

- The title of the book (or other library resource) being challenged,
- The action requested in such a challenge, and the outcome of such challenges
- Details on the reason for the challenge
- Whether the book (or other library resource) was a part of a curriculum or official program
- Such data over time, from Jan 2018 up until the most current date at the point of production.
- Such data electronically, ideally in a spreadsheet format.
- Any available information on the challenger
- Any other available aggregated data relevant to such challenges Thank you, Jonathan Fagg

Data Journalist ABC7 Chicago



FOIA

Sarah Buslik <sbuslik@norridge80.net>
To: jonathan.P.Fagg@abc.com

Fri, Mar 18, 2022 at 3:54 PM

Mr. Fagg,

This email is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated March 16, 2022.

You requested the following:

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The district does not possess any documents responsive to your request.

You have a right to have the denial of your request reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Attorney General, 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor Office of the Attorney General 500 South 2nd /street Springfield, IL 62706 Fax: 217-782-1396

email: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us

You also have a right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court, 5 ILCS 140/11.

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial letter, 5 ILCS 140/9(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sarah Buslik FOIA Officer