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January 26, 2011

Gary Frisch
FOIA Officer
Barrington School District 220
310 East James Street
Barrington, IL 60010-6337

RE: Pre-Authorization Request – 2011 PAC 11975
Requester: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Frisch:

We have received and reviewed the written notice from the Barrington School District 220 of its intention to deny disclosure of certain information as exempt from disclosure under Section 7(1)(f) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(f). On January 11, 2011, [REDACTED] requested a copy of the School District's settlement agreement with "The Garland Partners, LLC, Cuba Assessor, Lake County Assessor and PTAB." In its written notice dated January 19, 2011, the School District asserts that the responsive document is exempt from disclosure under Section 7(1)(f) of FOIA.

Section 7(1)(f) of FOIA exempts from inspection and copying "[p]reliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body." 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(f).

Determination

We have determined that the School District's use of the exemption in Section 7(1)(f) with regard to this document is approved. As of the date of this letter, the only version of the settlement agreement is a draft which is subject to revision before any final action is taken. Thus, the current document will be used to formulate the School District's action. No final settlement agreement has been made. The School District asserts that this document has not been publicly cited or identified by the head of the School District. Thus, the School District has met its initial burden of showing that this document is exempt from disclosure under Section 7(1)(f).

Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at (312) 814-2086. This correspondence shall serve to close this matter.

Sincerely,

Amalia Rioja
Acting Public Access Counselor

By:



Sarah Kaplan
Assistant Public Access Counselor

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