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COUNTY OF LUZERNE

RIGHT TO KNOW LAW REQUEST FORM

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SIGNATURE: [Signature] DATE: 4/12/18

RECORDS REQUESTED - Requesters MUST specify the document(s) sought. Please use additional pages if necessary.
SEE ATTACHED COUNTY RIGHT TO KNOW REQUEST

- PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
 I AM ONLY REQUESTING ACCESS TO THE DOCUMENT(S)
 I AM REQUESTING A HARD COPY OF THE DOCUMENT(S) (PAPER, CD, etc...)
 I AM REQUESTING AN E-FILE OF THE DOCUMENT(S) (IF AVAILABLE) (PDF, EXCEL SPRDSHT, etc...)

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County Right To Know Request

For the each of the last three (3) real estate tax assessment appeal tax years i. e. Appeals filed to the County Board of Assessment Appeals by August 1, 2015 for the 2016 Tax year, by August 1, 2016 for the 2017 tax year, and by August 1, 2017 for the 2018 Tax year please provide the following information:

1. How many annual real estate tax assessment appeals were filed with the County Board of Assessment Appeals for Tax Year 2016, Tax Year 2017 and Tax Year 2018;
2. What were/are the appeal filing fees charged for each type of property appealed (if different filing fees for type of property or the flat fee if only one) for tax years 2016, 2017, 2018;
3. What was the total amount of fees collected by the County Board of Assessment Appeals from the filing of these annual tax assessment appeals to the Board for tax years 2016, 2017, 2018;
4. What, if any, fee is collected for any Interim Real Estate Tax Assessment Appeal during each such year and how much, if any, did the Board of Assessment Appeals collect from these Interim Tax Assessment Appeals filed per year 2016, 2017, 2018.

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COUNTY of LUZERNE
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April 13, 2018

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RE: RTK Request # 18-70

Dear Attorney O'Brien:

Thank you for writing to Luzerne County with your request for information pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-To-Know law. My email is Jackie.Carroll@luzernecounty.org.

On April 12, 2018, I received a request for documents from you described in the attached Right to Know request. Your request is denied.

It is denied as to the questions posed. The PA RTK Law governs the release of public records and not answering questions. The law defines a public record as "Information, regardless of physical form or characteristics, that documents a transaction or activity of an agency and that is created, received or retained pursuant to law or in connection with a transaction, business or activity of the agency. The term includes a document, paper, letter, map, book, tape, photograph, film or sound recording, information stored or maintained electronically and a data-processed or image-processed document." Section 101 of the RTKL.

You have a right to appeal this denial of information in writing to Office of Open Records, Commonwealth Keystone building, 400 North Street, 4th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

If you choose to file an appeal for any reason, you must do so within 15 business days of the mailing date of the agency's response. Section 1101. If you have further questions, please contact me. Please be advised this correspondence will serve to close this request with our office as permitted by law.

Very truly yours,


JACQUELINE MUSTO CARROLL, ESQUIRE
Luzerne County – Open Records Officer