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OFFICE OF OPEN RECORDS

Standard Right-to-Know Law Request Form

Good communication is vital in the RTKL process. Complete this form thoroughly and retain a copy; it is required should an appeal be necessary. You have 15 business days to appeal after a request is denied or deemed denied.

SUBMITTED TO AGENCY NAMES: Luzerne County Coroner (Attn: AORO)

Date of Request: 2/24/2020 Submitted via: Email U.S. Mail Fax
In Person

PERSON MAKING REQUEST:

Name: Bishop Jack Wisor

Mailing Address: 5375 Route 219

City: Brockport State: PA Zip: 15823
Telephone: 814-590-3898

Email jwisor@windstream.net
Fax: 814-265-0014

How do you prefer to be contacted if the agency has questions? Telephone Email U.S. Mail

RECORDS REQUESTED: *Be clear and concise. Provide as much specific detail as possible, ideally including subject matter, time frame, and type of record or party names. Use additional sheets if necessary. RTKL requests should seek records, not ask questions. Requesters are not required to explain why the records are sought or the intended use of the records unless otherwise required by law.*

Specific records requested: Any and all records that contain information about:

The total number of homeless persons who have died in Wilkes-Barre in the last five years.

- The number of homeless persons who have died from drug or alcohol overdoses
- The number of homeless persons who have died from freezing (hypothermia)
- The number of homeless persons who have died from suicide
- The number of homeless persons who have died from accidental deaths
- The number of homeless persons who have died from violence (gunshot, stabbed, beaten, etc.)

DO YOU WANT COPIES? Yes, electronic copies preferred if available

Yes, printed copies preferred

No, in-person inspection of records preferred (may request copies later)

Do you want certified copies? Yes (may be subject to additional costs) No

RTKL requests may require payment or prepayment of fees. See the Official RTKL Fee Schedule for more details.

Please notify me if fees associated with this request will be more than \$100 (or) \$_____.

ITEMS BELOW THIS LINE FOR AGENCY USE ONLY

Tracking: _____ Date Received: _____ Response Due (5 bus. days): _____

30-Day Ext.? Yes No (If Yes, Final Due Date: _____) Actual Response Date: _____

Request was: Granted Partially Granted & Denied Denied Cost to Requester: \$_____

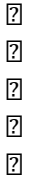
Appropriate third parties notified and given an opportunity to object to the release of requested records.

NOTE: In most cases, a completed RTKL request form is a public record.

Form updated Nov. 27, 2018

More information about the RTKL is available at <https://www.openrecords.pa.gov>

Dennis, Laura
Tue 2/25/2020 1:30 PM



- Jacqueline Zoller <jzoller@rtjglaw.com>

Dear Ms. Zoller:

This is the response I received from our Coroner's office:

They can send a written request and a check for \$700.00 made payable to "Luzerne County Treasurer" and send to me at 85 Young St., Hanover Twp., PA 18706. I will forward the documents as soon as I get the autopsy from the Dr.

If you have any further questions,
please do not hesitate to contact me.
Thank you
Laura Dennis

THE CHECK WAS RECEIVED BY THE CORONER'S OFFICE ON MARCH 3, 2020 AND THE DOCUMENTS WERE FORWARDED TO THE REQUESTOR.

ATTESTATION

I, Mary Wallace, am the Office Administrator for the Coroner's Office for Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. I received a Right to Know request from the Office of Law during the month of February, 2020 from Bishop Jack Wisor asking for five years of statistics related to the deaths of homeless persons in Luzerne County.

I would be the appropriate party to address this request and I am the party that would be responsible for processing this request. I am unable to fulfill this request because Luzerne County neither maintains any of these statistics, nor have we documented deaths in the categories requested.

The purpose of this Attestation, and by my signature below, is to verify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that the foregoing is true and correct according to my knowledge as the Prothonotary for Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

DATE: _____

Mary Wallace
Office Administrator
Coroner's Office
Luzerne County, Pennsylvania