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From:

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Flint, Michigan, 48506

Dear FOIA Appeals Officer,

I am appealing the denial of my FOIA request regarding fire incidents and arson records in Zip Code 48506 from 2012-present. Your response states that Genesee County does not have jurisdiction or records related to this request.

Key Appeal Points:

- 1. Clarify County Oversight: If Genesee County has no fire records, does this mean there is no county oversight or reporting mechanism for municipal fire departments within its jurisdiction?
- 2. Confirm Data-Sharing Responsibilities: If Flint Fire Department handles records, does Genesee County receive incident reports, emergency response logs, or annual statistics?
- 3. Direct Referral to the Proper Authority: Under Michigan FOIA law, if Genesee County does not possess the records, you must provide the exact agency and contact responsible for them.
- 4. Jurisdiction Clarification: Parts of Zip Code 48506 fall outside Flint city limits. Are you confirming no county-level fire records exist for those areas either?

Under MCL 15.240 (1)(b), I formally request a reconsideration of this denial or a written statement confirming the proper authority for this request. If no action is taken, I will escalate this matter to the Michigan Attorney General's office for non-compliance.

Best,
From:
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