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Faxed and mailed

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Dear. Capt. McLay,

This is to request, under the state's Open Records Law (19.31-39, Wisconsin Statutes), a copy of a spreadsheet produced recently by the Madison Police Department's parking enforcement unit. The spreadsheet tracks the number of citations issued by the city of Madison's 28 parking enforcement officers for the months January 2007 through September 2007. Also requested is the most current version of this record, if it has been updated since.

Wisconsin's Open Records Law states, in relevant part: "In recognition of the fact that a representative government is dependent upon an informed electorate, it is declared to be the public policy of this state that all persons are entitled to the greatest possible information regarding the affairs of the government and the official acts of those officers and employees who represent them. Further, providing persons with such information is declared to be an essential function of a representative government and an integral part of the routine duties of officers and employees whose responsibility and duty is to provide such information."

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The law continues, "To that end [the Open Records Law] shall be construed in every instance with the presumption of complete public access consistent with the conduct of governmental business. The denial of access generally is contrary to the public interest and only in exceptional cases can access be denied."

If my request is denied, please state what part of the law you believe entities you to do so, and advise me of the process through which I may appeal.

As you know, the law requires you to respond to this request "as soon as practicable and without delay." Thank you for your time and consideration.

Bill Lueders News Editor

Best