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**Sent:** Wednesday, March 6, 2019 11:55 AM  
**To:** Silver, Natalie <[Natalie.Silver@vermont.gov](mailto:Natalie.Silver@vermont.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: FOIA request follow-up

Hi Natalie,

Thanks so much for your quick response. I sent the request to your email last Wednesday with the subject line "Request for Information" and the actual FOIA request in Word document format attached to the bottom of the email. Maybe my email somehow got shuffled into your spam folder? I double-checked my "sent" box to make sure I actually sent it and it's there, but weird things always happen with technology, so who knows where it went.

I've attached the request at the bottom of this email; please let me know if it comes thorough okay.

Thank you again,  
Christie

On Wed, Mar 6, 2019 at 11:13 AM Silver, Natalie <[Natalie.Silver@vermont.gov](mailto:Natalie.Silver@vermont.gov)> wrote:

Hi there,

Where did you send the request? We have a prompt process for these requests so I am not sure why you haven't gotten a response. If you send me the request I can make sure it is processed appropriately. Thank you for checking in.

Natalie

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**From:** Christie Wisniewski <[cwisniewski@benningtonbanner.com](mailto:cwisniewski@benningtonbanner.com)>  
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**Subject:** FOIA request follow-up

Hi Natalie,

I want to see if you have received the FOIA request addressed to Mr. Donovan I sent last Wednesday. I believe public records law mandates that a response must be sent within three days of receiving the records request, and ten days for extraordinary circumstances.

I completely understand if there are circumstances that do not permit the FOIA response to be sent yet, but I would appreciate an acknowledgement that the request has been received by the AG's office and a guarantee that the proper response will be sent in a timely manner.

Thank you so much,

Christie

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**TJ Donovan**  
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Dear Mr. Donovan,

Under the Vermont Public Records Law, §315 et seq., I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of public records; namely any correspondence between Kiah Morris and the Attorney General's office and James Lawton and the Attorney General's office relating to the Kiah Morris and Max Misch investigation. This includes:

- The discussions between Morris and the AG, and Lawton and the AG regarding harassment by Max Misch.
- Correspondence about the Bennington Police Department's handling of the cases relating to Morris and Misch.
- Correspondence related to the words "dead dead" found on a computer at the Morris/ Lawton home.
- Information about how many weapons were confiscated from Max Misch's Bennington home following his Feb. 7 arraignment for alleged possession of large-capacity ammunition feeding devices, as well as when he purchased these weapons.
- Information regarding Lisa Misch, a.k.a. Lisa Shapiro's Dec. 1 credit card purchase at the Hinsdale, N.H. Runnings Sporting Goods store and any correspondence relating to the decision to not charge Shapiro with a crime relating to this purchase.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me of the cost. However, I would also like to request a waiver of all fees in that the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of whether or whether not the BPD "withheld" information relating to the case, as the AG, NAACP, and ACLU has recently alleged. I believe it will also help the public better understand Morris' involvement in this ongoing case. This information is not being sought for commercial purposes.

The law requires a response to this request within 2 days, or within 10 days for extraordinary circumstances. If you expect a significant delay in fulfilling this request, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

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