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**To:** [AGO - Public Records Requests](#)  
**Subject:** 1 V.S.A. §§ 315-320 - Employment Contract  
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To whom it may concern:

Under Vermont’s Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. §§ 315-320, any person has the right to request inspection or copying of a public record from government agencies, including municipalities. The definition of a “public record” is very broad and includes “any written or recorded information, regardless of physical form or characteristics,” which is produced or acquired in the course of municipal business. 1 V.S.A. § 317(b). Transparency is an essential element of open and democratic government. In Vermont, the primary means of providing transparency are the Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. §§ 315-320, and the Open Meeting Law, 1 V.S.A. §§ 310-314. These laws implement the command of Chapter I, Article 6 of the Vermont Constitution that officers of government are “trustees and servants” of the people and are “at all times, in a legal way, accountable to them.”

**The request:**

Employment Contract for the following position at the Vermont Agency of Education:

- Assistant Attorney General
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- \*Note this request does not seek personnel information, but rather the request is for the contract for the **position** with Vermont Agency of Education:the information and therefore is not exempt.
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Regards,

Joanne Jewell

Parent, Advocate, & Taxpayer