

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PROVIDENCE, SC.

SUPERIOR COURT

NICOLE SOLAS,
Plaintiff,

v.

C.A. No.: PC-2024-00376

SOUTH KINGSTOWN SCHOOL
DISTRICT,
Defendant.

CONSENT JUDGMENT

Upon stipulation and consent of the parties, by and through their respective attorneys, this Consent Judgment having been presented to the Court, and the Court having determined that this Consent Judgment is fair, adequate, and reasonable, the Court accepts the following findings of fact as represented by the parties and incorporates same herein.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about May 3, 2021, Plaintiff submitted a request for public records pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 38-2-1 *et seq.*
2. On or about May 11, 2021, Defendant responded to Plaintiff's records request and indicated that Defendant was not in possession of documents that were responsive to Plaintiff's request.
3. Thereafter, in separate litigation involving the same parties, Plaintiff learned of the existence of documents that were responsive to Plaintiff's request and filed the instant cause of action.
4. A subsequent search of Defendant's records yielded copies of the requested records; as such, Defendant concedes that it was in possession of the requested records at the time the request was made, and therefore violated R.I. Gen. Laws 38-2-1 *et seq.*

NOW THEREFORE, upon stipulation and consent of the parties, by and through their respective attorneys, this Consent Judgment having been presented to the Court as an agreement of the parties only, and the Court having determined that this Consent Judgment is fair and reasonable without making any findings of fact on the record.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

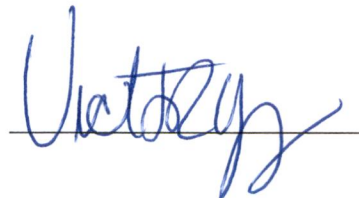
1. Defendant shall provide Plaintiff with copies of the responsive records forthwith and at no cost to Plaintiff.
2. Defendant shall pay Plaintiff's counsel the total sum of six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars in full satisfaction of Plaintiff's claim for fees and costs pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-9(d).
3. Defendant shall pay a civil fine in the amount of two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars.
4. This is a final judgment that resolves all pending claims in this action. This judgment does not resolve or affect any other pending or future claims Plaintiff has or may have against Defendant or any other parties.

ENTERED as the Judgment of the Court on 4/29/24.

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BY ORDER

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The parties consent to the entry of this Judgment:

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