

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
MAYOR'S OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL
Freedom of Information Act Appeal: 2020-103**

August 3, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Santigie Kargbo

RE: FOIA Appeal 2020-103

Dear Mr. Kargbo:

This letter responds to the administrative appeal you submitted to the Mayor under the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act, D.C. Code § 2-537 (“DC FOIA”), challenging the failure of the Metropolitan Police Department (“MPD”) to properly respond to your FOIA request.

In your FOIA request, you sought records regarding “criminal complaints, arrests, reports, documents, investigations and photos” from January 1, 1981 to December 31, 1992. MPD denied your request on the basis of privacy pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-534(a)(2). You then appealed to this Office. On February 10, 2020, MPD responded to your appeal.¹ In its response, MPD indicated that it would provide the requested information following clarification that you were only seeking records relating to yourself. Because MPD misunderstood your initial request but has indicated to this office that it has produced responsive records after communicating with you, we dismiss your appeal as moot. However, you are free to challenge MPD’s substantive response by separate appeal to this Office

This constitutes the final decision of this Office. If you are dissatisfied with this decision, you may commence a civil action against the District of Columbia in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in accordance with D.C. Code § 2-537.

Respectfully,

Mayor’s Office of Legal Counsel

cc: Teresa Quon Hyden, Assistant General Counsel
MPD (via email)

¹ A copy of MPD’s response to your appeal is attached to this decision.