

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
MAYOR'S OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL
Freedom of Information Act Appeal: 2020-254**

February 14, 2022

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dr. Quentin Jever Crocheron

RE: FOIA Appeal 2020-254

Dear Dr. Crocheron:

This letter responds to the administrative appeal you submitted to the Mayor under the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act, D.C. Official Code § 2-537 (“DC FOIA”). In your appeal, you assert that the Department of Risk Management (“ORM”) failed to properly respond to your FOIA request. On July 29, 2019, you requested that ORM provide to you “all Records related to ‘DC MPD’ employment records, and all records of any and all cases in my name, verified, through Background.” You appealed on January 3, 2020. On January 13, 2020, this Office issued FOIA Appeal Decision 2020-067 stating that your appeal was based on a lack of response from ORM and dismissing your appeal as moot because ORM responded to your request in response to notification of your appeal. You filed the instant appeal on September 28, 2020. On October 8, 2020, ORM responded to your appeal reiterating that it had not located any documents responsive to your request and that the MPD employment records you requested were not maintained by ORM.¹ ORM also reiterated that it timely responded to your July 29, 2019 request because ORM responded on July 30, 2019.

ORM has indicated that a diligent search for responsive records has identified no such records within its files. We have no reason to question the agency’s representation that it possesses no responsive records.

Based on the foregoing, we dismiss your appeal challenging ORM’s response to your FOIA request. This is the final decision of this Office with regard to your appeal. If you are dissatisfied with this decision, you may commence a civil action against the District of Columbia government in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in accordance with DC FOIA.

Respectfully,

Mayor’s Office of Legal Counsel

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

cc: Robert Preston, FOIA Officer
ORM (via email)