



Public Records Request for Lafayette Parish Juvenile Detention Home

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Mon, Sep 2, 2024 at 1:42 PM

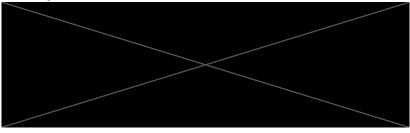
Dear Mr. Ottinger,

Hope you are having a nice Labor Day!

Please see the attached public records request for the Lafayette Parish Juvenile Detention Home. This request is submitted as part of an assignment for a constitutional law seminar at Loyola New Orleans College of Law.

Kindly confirm safe receipt of this correspondence and attachment.

Best regards.



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Ramona LaLonde <RLaLonde@lafayettela.gov>

Tue, Sep 3, 2024 at 1:58 PM

Good Afternoon,

In response to your request, we have been informed by the Lafayette Juvenile Detention Home that there were no deaths in custody to report at the Lafayette Juvenile Detention Home for the period indicated in your request.

Thank you,

Ramona P. LaLonde

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Tue, Sep 3, 2024 at 2:36 PM

Hi Ms. LaLonde.

Thank you for your prompt reply! That is great news to hear.

Could you please provide me with the Zero Death Letter for the requested time period?

Best regards,



Ramona LaLonde <RLaLonde lafa ettela.gov>

Tue, Sep 3, 2024 at 4:28 PM

Good Afternoon,

In response to your below request asking for "the Zero Death Letter for the requested time period", no such letter exists and would have to be created. The Louisiana Public Records Law does not require Lafayette Consolidated Government to answer questions or inquiries or create records to respond to a public records request. See e.g., Stevens v. St. Tammany Parish Govt., 2017-0959 (La. App. 1st Cir. 7/18/18), 264 So.3d 456; Lacour v. City of Alexandria, 2018-151 (La. App. 3rd Cir. 10/3/18), 2018 WL 4778203; Cox v. Bello, 2014-0759 (La. App. 1st Cir. 12/23/14), 2014 WL 7332041; Williams Law Firm v. Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University, 2003-0079 (La. App. 1st Cir. 04/02/04), 878 So.2d 557, citing Nungesser v. Brown, 95-3005 (La. 2/16/96), 667 So.2d 1036, 1037.

Accordingly, Lafayette Consolidated Government does not have a record responsive to the request.

Thank you,

Ramona P. LaLonde

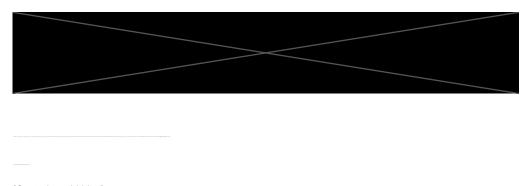
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