



OFFICE OF THE
STATE AUDITOR

November 28, 2023

Brady Eames


RE: Chief Administrative Officer Response to GRAMA Appeal

Mr. Eames:

I write in response to your URGENT EXPEDITED APPEAL to CAO Dougall, received November 15, 2023, in which you appeal Mandy Teerlink's November 9 decision to deny access to certain records. Utah Code Section 63G-2-400.5 requires that records request appeals be answered in ten business days (excluding holidays), unless sufficient evidence is provided to support an expedited request.

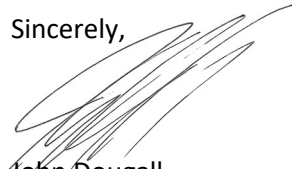
In her response, Teerlink based her denial on Utah Code Section 63G-2-203(8), which permits a governmental entity to demand payment of outstanding fees before processing a records request.

I uphold Teerlink's denial. As she stated, you have an unpaid balance with the Office of the State Auditor in the amount of \$6.13, which was assessed against you for the fulfillment of a previous records request. OSA is not required to fulfill records requests from you until you pay this outstanding balance.

Pursuant to Utah Code Sections 63G-2-403 and 404, you may petition for review by either the district court or the State Records Committee. To appeal to the State Records Committee, you must submit your notice of appeal within 30 days of the date of this response. The notice of appeal should be addressed as follows:

State Records Committee
Rebekkah Shaw
346 S. Rio Grande
Salt Lake City, UT 84101-1106
(801) 531-3834

Sincerely,



John Dougall
State Auditor