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Re: FOIA #15-108, 109, 110, 111, 112

Dear Dr. Scheinman:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information requests dated and received in my office on February 9, 2015. In these requests, you requested the following information:

"All emails sent by Robert Easter during the entire day of 7/21/14; [15-108]  
All emails sent by Robert Easter during the entire day of 7/22/14; [15-109]  
All emails sent by Robert Easter during the entire day of 7/23/14; [15-110]  
All emails sent by Robert Easter during the entire day of 7/24/14; [15-111]  
All emails sent by Robert Easter during the entire day of 7/25/14; [15-112]"

Information responsive to your request is available and attached. These are public documents numbering 137 pages.

Portions of these documents have been redacted and other documents have been withheld pursuant to the following section(s) of the Act:

- 140/7(1)(a) that exempts from disclosure "Information specifically prohibited from disclosure by federal or State law or rules and regulations implementing adopted under federal or State law." Under this exemption, information that is required to remain confidential under state law, including, without limitation, the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct were redacted from the responsive documents.
- 140/7(1)(b) that exempts from disclosure "Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order." This include cellular and home phone numbers and personal email addresses.
- 140/7(1)(c) that exempts from disclosure "personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information." This includes conversations with private citizens not affiliated with the University regarding non-University business, information about individuals who contacted the University to express opinions, donor information, and names and personal or personally identifying information of private citizens.
- 140/7(1)(f) that exempts from disclosure "Preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda, and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions

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are formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body.” This includes documents containing drafts, recommendations, notes and records regarding the formulation of an action or plan.

- 140/7(1)(m) that exempts from disclosure “Communications between a public body and an attorney or auditor representing the public body that would not be subject to discovery in litigation, and materials prepared or compiled by or for a public body in anticipation of a criminal, civil or administrative proceeding upon the request of an attorney advising the public body, . . .” Pursuant to this exemption, communications covered under the attorney client privilege and/or the work product doctrine that would not be subject to discovery were redacted or withheld from the responsive records.

You have a right, under the law, to seek a review of this response by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) in the Office of the Attorney General. The PAC may be reached by phone at 217-782-1396, by email to [publicaccess@atg.state.il.us](mailto:publicaccess@atg.state.il.us), or by postal mail at the Public Access Bureau, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706. You also have the right to seek judicial review under section 11 of this Act.

If you have any questions, please address them to the attention of Ms. Laura Clower, Associate University Counsel, at [clower@uillinois.edu](mailto:clower@uillinois.edu).

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Hardy  
Executive Director  
and Chief Records Officer

cc: Laura Clower, Assoc. Univ. Counsel