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Response Letter — July 17, 2025

The two-page determination on FOIA 25-135: the summary denied as nonexistent, then eight case files released in part. Requester identifiers redacted.

Delta County Prosecutor's Office letterhead — Lauren M. Wickman, Prosecuting Attorney, Civil Counsel; Beth Wickwire, Chief Assistant Prosecutor, Deputy Civil Counsel; Lauren Mattson, Assistant Prosecutor.

July 17, 2025

`REQUESTER NAME REDACTED`

Re: FOIA Request #25-135

Dear `Mr./Ms.` `NAME REDACTED`:

I acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Act request dated June 27, 2025 received by the Delta County Prosecutor's Office on June 27, 2025 for the following documents:

> *Please provide a summary of all criminal cases prosecuted to trial by the Delta County Prosecutor's Office between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024, excluding simple traffic ticket violations or misdemeanors resolved solely by fine payment without further court proceedings.*
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> *For each trial, please indicate: the case number; the defendant's initials (or anonymized if necessary); the charges prosecuted; the final trial outcome (verdict: guilty, not guilty, or mistrial); the case classification (felony or misdemeanor). A summary table, spreadsheet, or internal report is acceptable.*

Your request for “a summary of all criminal cases prosecuted to trial by the Delta County Prosecutor's Office between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024, excluding simple traffic ticket violations or misdemeanors resolved solely by fine payment without further court proceedings” is denied, as the record do not exist.

The undersigned hereby certifies that, after a search for records described above, and to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, the public records requested do not exist within the records of the public body under the name nor any other name reasonably known to the public body.

Your request related to “each trial” is granted in part, denied in part with respect to the following documents:

- Felony Information and Order of Acquittal/Dismissal or Remand for 23-FH-10950
- Complaint, Judgement of Sentence, for 23-SM-338
- Complaint, Sentencing on Jury Verdict for 22-SM-578
- Felony Information, Jury Trial Sheet in 23-11012-FH
- Felony Information, Jury Trial Sheet in 23-10872-FH
- Complaint, Motion to Add Counts, Sentencing on Jury Verdict in 24-SM-050
- Felony Information and Jury Trial Sheet in 23-11056-FH
- Complaint and Sentencing on Jury Verdict for 24-SM-151

As the information is of a personal nature where public disclosure of the information would clearly constitute an unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy, to include but not limited to: defendant names, victim or witness names, addresses, dates of births, telephone numbers, criminal record identifying number, etc, pursuant to MCL 15.243(1)(a).

If you disagree with this decision, you may submit an appeal to the chairperson of the Delta County Board of Commissioners, or seek judicial review in the Delta County Circuit Court. If you prevail in Circuit Court, you may be entitled to receive attorney fees, costs, and disbursements as well as actual or compensatory damages, and punitive damages of $1,000.00.

I have also included the website utilized to find Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Written Policies, Guidelines, and

Forms as well as the FOIA Appeal Form.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Best

SIGNATURE REDACTED

Attorney · FOIA Coordinator

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Note on this transcription. This is the complete text of the two-page response letter. On page one the office denies the requested summary outright and certifies that "the record do not exist." On page two the same letter states that the request "related to 'each trial' is granted in part, denied in part" and then lists eight case files that supply the case numbers, the charges, the verdicts and the felony/misdemeanor classifications the summary was asked to contain. The letter identifies one exemption, MCL 15.243(1)(a), which on its face reaches names, addresses, dates of birth, telephone numbers and identifying numbers — not case numbers, charges, verdicts or case classification. The requester's name and address have been removed from this public copy; the county's own staff names are retained because they are public officials acting in an official capacity.