

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth Public Records Division

Manza Arthur Supervisor of Records

November 29, 2023 **SPR23/2752** 

Brandon P. Hunt, Esq. Assistant District Attorney Norfolk County District Attorney's Office 45 Shawmut Road Canton, MA 02021

Dear Attorney Hunt:

I have received the petition of Ted Daniel, of *WFXT-TV*, *Boston 25 News*, appealing the response of the Norfolk County District Attorney's Office (Office) to a request for public records. See G. L. c. 66, § 10A; see also 950 C.M.R. 32.08(1). On November 1, 2023, Mr. Daniel requested "any letters, emails or other correspondence Norfolk DA Morrissey or any members of his staff has sent to any DOJ entity that mention [identified individuals] or any similar versions of those names." On November 14, 2023, the Office responded and identified a single responsive record. The Office withheld this record pursuant to Exemptions (d), (c), and (f) of the Public Records Law. G. L. c. 4, § 7 (26)(d), (c), (f). Unsatisfied with the Office's response, Mr. Daniel petitioned this office and this appeal, SPR23/2752, was opened as a result.

It is my understanding that the Office intends on providing a subsequent response to Mr. Daniel.

Accordingly, the Office is ordered to provide Mr. Daniel with a response to his request in a manner consistent with the Public Records Law and its Regulations within 10 business days. A copy of any such response must be provided to this office. It is preferable to send an electronic copy of the response to this office at <a href="mailto:pre@sec.state.ma.us">pre@sec.state.ma.us</a>. Mr. Daniel may appeal the substantive nature of the Office's response within ninety days. <a href="mailto:See">See</a> 950 C.M.R. 32.08(1).

Sincerely,

Manza Arthur Supervisor of Records

cc: Ted Daniel