



U.S. Department of Justice

Civil Rights Division

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

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Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Frederick, MD 21701

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

This is in response to your Privacy Act request for all Department of Justice records pertaining to you. Please excuse our delay in responding to you.

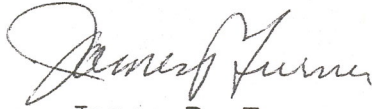
As you are aware and as you mentioned in your June 6, 1977, letter to the Criminal Division, the subject matters which you describe in your letter are more appropriately addressed to the Criminal Division. The Civil Rights Division (CRT) maintains no records related to your earlier career and your interviews with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) nor maintains responsive records related to the other events which you discuss in the 1977 letter. The Civil Rights Division records responsive to your Privacy Act request relate to records already in your possession by way of your Freedom of Information requests and documents which you have generated (e.g., legal pleadings) in litigation involving those requests.

Those documents are included in the general category of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act system of records (JUSTICE/CRT-010). The Attorney General exempted parts of this system of records [See 42 Fed. Reg. 10,000 (February 18, 1977)] from the access provision of the Privacy Act as is authorized under 5 U.S.C. § 552a(j)(2) and (k)(2) of the Privacy Act. Therefore, your request is denied on the basis of the exemptions above. In addition, and more specifically, your request is denied on the basis of 5 U.S.C. § 552a(d)(5) in that the Civil Rights Division compiled the documents related to your Freedom of Information Act requests in reasonable anticipation of litigation.

Should you wish to appeal my decision with respect to your request, you may do so by writing, within thirty days, to the Office of Information and Privacy, United States Department of Justice, 10th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530. The envelope should be marked "FOI/PA Appeal."

Following review by the Department, judicial review of the decision of the Attorney General is available in the United States District Court in the judicial district in which you reside, in which you have your principal place of business, or in the District of Columbia.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James P. Turner".

James P. Turner
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division