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Re: FOIA Request/ Bernards Township

Gentlemen:

This firm represents Bernards Township, New Jersey. This Request is made under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and seeks

- (1) copies of all letters, emails, text messages, correspondence, notes, plans or other documents in the files and records of the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice and the Civil Rights Unit of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey, concerning:

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Bernards Township, New Jersey; officials and/or authorized representatives of Bernards Township, New Jersey; Bernards Township's zoning and land use practices; application(s) for site plan approval at 124 Church Street, Bernards Township, New Jersey; civil rights litigation asserted against Bernards Township, New Jersey; The Islamic Society of Basking Ridge; and/or Mhammad Ali Chaudry

sent or received by the following individuals and/or entities between January 1, 2014 and the present date:

- Caroline Sadlowski, Chief, Civil Division;
 - Michael E. Campion, Chief, Civil Rights Unit;
 - Eric Treene, Special Counsel;
 - any other representatives of the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division;
 - any other representatives of the Civil Rights Unit of the Civil Division, United States Attorney's Office;
 - Mohammad Ali Chaudry;
 - Robert Raymar, Esq.
 - Adeel A. Mangi, Esq.;
 - attorneys employed by or associated with the law firm of Patterson Belknap Webb and Tyler, LLP;
 - representatives of Drew University's Center for Religion, Culture and Conflicts;
 - *Amicus Curiae* Parties in the Civil Action styled The Islamic Society of Basking Ridge and Mohammad Ali Chaudry v. Township of Bernards, et al.
 - Ravinder S. Bhalla, Esq.
 - attorneys employed by or associated with the law firm of Florio Perrucci Steinhardt & Fader, LLC.
- (2) copies of all policies and directives used to guide investigations of civil rights matters involving religious groups, including but not limited to Muslims, Christians, Jews, etc.

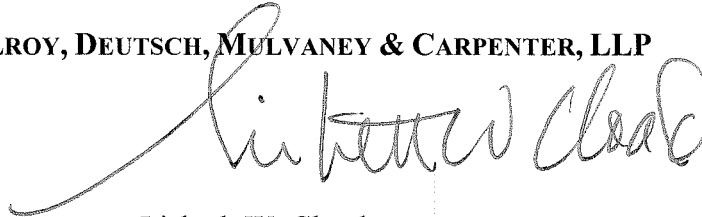
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We respectfully request that this request be expedited. If you have any questions about this request or foresee problems in fully releasing the requested records within the required period, please contact the undersigned by telephone or electronic mail as described in the heading of this correspondence. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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Lisbeth W. Cload

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