Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law Request
York County Open Records Office

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law, 65 P.S. §§ 67.101 et seq., I request access to records sufficient to show the following information regarding Right-to-Know Law appeals involving York County:

A. RTKL Appeals Filed Against York County

For each calendar year from [insert years, e.g., 2020–2024], records showing:

- The total number of RTKL appeals filed against York County or any York County department, office, or agency

B. Appeal Outcomes

For the same period, records sufficient to show the disposition of those appeals, including:

- Appeals upheld in full in favor of the County
- Appeals reversed or partially reversed
- Appeals dismissed, withdrawn, or resolved without a merits decision

C. Internal Tracking or Reporting

Any internal logs, summaries, spreadsheets, reports, or statistical compilations maintained by the County that track RTKL appeals, appeal outcomes, or reversal rates.

This request seeks aggregate and administrative information only and does not request individual appeal files, legal work product, or attorney-client communications.

Records may be provided electronically.

If the County does not maintain records sufficient to answer any portion of this request, please confirm that fact in writing pursuant to 65 P.S. § 67.705.

R000464-121225 - Right to Know Request

Message History (3)

On 12/13/2025 5:06:01 PM, York County PA Open Records Office wrote:

Subject: [Right-to-Know Records Center] R000464-121225 :: [REQUEST TYPE]:: R000464-121225
Body:

RE: Reference # R000464-121225, Right to Know Request of December 12, 2025.

[redacted],

The County of York received a Right to Know Request from you on December 12, 2025. You requested the following information:

"Please see the attached request for records. Thank you."

Please be advised that the County does not keep track of appeals filed, the outcomes of appeals and the County does not have internal logs that track appeals in any way. As a result, there are no documents that are responsive to your request in the County's possession or under its custody or control. Moore vs. Office of Open Records, 992 A.2d 997, 909 (Pa. Cmwlth. Ct. 2010). Pursuant to the Office of Open Records' final Decision in Jenkins vs. Pa. Dep't of State, OOR Dkt. AP 2009-065, it should be noted that: "It is not a denial of access when an agency does not possess records and [there is no] legal obligation to obtain them (see e.g. 65 P.S. §67.506(d)(1))."

You have the right to appeal any denial in writing to Office of Open Records, 555 Walnut Street, Suite 605, Harrisburg, PA 17101-2234. Your appeal must be filed with the Office of Open Records within fifteen (15) business days of the date of this response.

Sincerely,

Jonelle Eshbach
Solicitor
Solicitor's Office

On 12/12/2025 3:32:53 PM, York County PA Open Records Office wrote:

YORK COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA

[redacted]:

Thank you for your request to the York County Open Records Office. Your request has been received and is being processed in accordance with the Right-to-Know Law. Your request was received in this office on 12/12/2025 and given the reference number R000464-121225 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Please see the attached request for records. Thank you.

Your request will be forwarded to the relevant department(s) to locate the information you seek and to determine the volume and any costs associated with satisfying your request.

You will be provided with any responsive documents after we complete our search.

PLEASE NOTE: The Right to Know Law does not require a governmental body to create new information, to do legal research, or to answer questions.

You can monitor the progress of your request at the link below and you'll receive an email when your request has been completed. Again, thank you for using the Right-to-Know Records Center.

To monitor the progress or update this request please log into the Right-to-Know Records Center

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On 12/12/2025 3:32:52 PM, [redacted] wrote:

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