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Via: Email to <u>foia@metrarr.com</u> Attention: Freedom of Information Officer Metra 547 West Jackson Boulevard 15-E Chicago, Illinois 60661

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Dear FOIA Officer

This is a request under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. I request copies of the following documentation relating to the following lawsuits involving Metra, or relating to the underlying incidents from the lawsuits. The lawsuits are:

- *Rikas v. Babusch, et al* (13-cv-2069)
- *Price v. Metra, et al* (17-cv-7250)

The documentation requested is:

- All depositions taken by either side for both cases
- All police reports relating to both cases, whether Metra police, Chicago police, or any records of any other law enforcement agency in possession of Metra
- All internal disciplinary hearings relating to either case
- All surveillance video and police audio from both cases
- The final disposition from any disciplinary proceedings relating to either case
- The settlement agreements in both cases

Please email the information to foia@southsidweekly.com.

South Side Weekly is an award-winning nonprofit newsprint magazine based in Woodlawn, dedicated to covering arts, culture, and politics on the South Side of Chicago. Because I, the requestor, am a journalist, and I seek the information in order to disseminate it to the public, and because the information regards the safety, welfare, and legal rights of the general public, the request meets the statutory definition of "in the public interest." This request is not for commercial benefit as defined in the statute because this request is made by a member of the nonprofit news media whose principal purpose is to access and disseminate information regarding the general public's interest, safety, welfare, and legal rights. To the extent you intend to assess any charges, please notify me to discuss first.

Thank you for your time and prompt attention to this matter,

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