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In Re: Case Nos. 201200668 and 201200691
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Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). This letter is in response to your email messages dated July 14, 2012, and July 25, 2012, which OGIS received on the same dates. You requested OGIS assistance with regard to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests and appeals to the United States Postal Service (USPS).

As you know, as the FOIA ombudsman, OGIS provides facilitation and, where appropriate, mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. Whenever practical, OGIS encourages requesters to exhaust all administrative remedies within an agency before pursuing facilitation or mediation through our office. OGIS does not process requests or review appeals.

We have reviewed your submission of information, and we understand that you submitted FOIA requests and administrative appeals to the USPS to which you did not receive satisfactory responses.

We contacted USPS and learned the following:

OGIS Case No. 201200691

This case involved a FOIA request you made on March 5, 2012, to [REDACTED] Post Office for records related to a flood. You appealed the agency's decision on your request, and on May 1, 2012, USPS remanded your request to Labor Relations for response to you (the matter was assigned appeal no. [REDACTED]). You contacted OGIS because you have received no further correspondence regarding this matter.

OGIS contacted USPS to learn more about the status of this remanded request. At this time, the [REDACTED] office is reviewing several thousand email messages to determine if any are responsive to your request.



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October 18, 2012

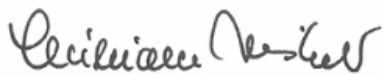
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OGIS Case No. 201200668

This case involved a FOIA appeal that you sent to Christopher T. Klepak on ██████████ 2012 regarding the lack of response to a FOIA request addressed to Jane Eyre and dated May 2, 2012. USPS searched its FOIA system and was unable to find an appeal from you dated ██████████, 2012. You may wish to resubmit this appeal.

We hope that this information is useful to you. No further action will be taken on these OGIS cases, and we consider these matters closed.

Sincerely,



Miriam Nisbet, Director
Office of Government Information Services