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KEVIN LEWIS,

Plaintiff,

V.

COUNTY OF BURLINGTON and JASON P. TOSCHES in his official capacity as Custodian of Public Records of Burlington County,

Defendants.

"SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISIONMERCER COUNTY

DOCKET NO. MER L-1077-18

CIVIL ACTION

ORDER RELEASING RECORDS AND AWARDING COUNSEL FEES

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THIS MATTER having come before the court by way of a Verified Complaint and Order to Show Cause filed by Plaintiff seeking access to body worn camera footage from Defendant under the Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"); and following an in camera review of these recordings; and for the reasons set forth on the record; and for good cause shown:

IT IS on this 20th day of September, 2018, HEREBY ORDERED that:

Mr. Lewis shall be granted access to most of the body worn camera footage that
documents his interaction with Burlington County Sheriff's Officers on January
24, 2018. The footage was contained on a disc captioned "McNally." This footage
is not to include the final portion of the recording, where an officer holds up a
paper that contains Ms. Ingram's address.

- 2. Mr. Lewis shall be denied access to the body worn camera footage that primarily relates to Ms. Ingram's interaction with Burlington County Sheriff's Officers on January 24, 2018. This footage was contained on a disc labeled "Schieber."
- 3. Plaintiff is a partially prevailing party under the Open Public Records Act and entitled to a reasonable counsel fee.
- 4. The parties have until October 19, 2018, to resolve the counsel fee award. If this matter cannot be resolved by that time, the parties are to notify the court which will then establish a schedule for the counsel fee application.

Mary C. Jacobson, A.J.S.C.