



LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE · PARTIAL DENIAL DATED JULY 20, 2026

DATED JULY 29, 2026

Request for Review — Sheriff P008746-071326

Public Access Counselor

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MATTER**P008746-071326 / P008643-070626 — Items 2, 4, and 6**

Review requested: search adequacy and completeness in light of the Sheriff's later-produced records

Public Access Counselor:

I submit this signed Request for Review under 5 ILCS 140/9.5 concerning the Lake County Sheriff's Office's July 20, 2026 partial denial of FOIA P008746-071326, associated with P008643-070626. The request was submitted in full in the body of the electronic submission on July 13, 2026. This Request for Review is timely.

WHY REVIEW IS REQUESTED

Item 2 requested existing service, execution, CAD, dispatch, event-history, unit-assignment, warrant-service, location, officer, supervisor, and outside-agency-assistance records concerning Warrant No. 314270 / State Warrant No. W26F4152. Item 6 requested existing holds, flags, alerts, bulletins, hot-sheet entries, notifications, address or vehicle notations, and similar records.

The Sheriff's Office stated that it "does not prepare, use, receive, possess, or control" records responsive to Items 2 or 6 and added that "this matter originated with the Lincolnshire Police Department." The response does not identify the systems, divisions, custodians, or date ranges searched and does not explain whether the Sheriff's Office searched its Warrants Division, local warrant-management event and service-attempt fields, CAD or dispatch systems, warrant-desk records, or alert and notation fields.

The later-produced county record raises a separate completeness issue concerning Item 4. Item 4 expressly requested internal and intergovernmental communications with the Lake County State's Attorney's Office concerning the requester, case, warrant, or planned execution. A county production made after the July 20 response contains a July 15, 2026 email from Sheriff's Records Supervisor Raul Casas to Melanie Nelson, Chief Deputy of the State's Attorney's Civil Trial Division, captioned "FOIA Guidance." Its listed attachments included "Ehab FOIA.pdf," "FOIA 8745 Draft Response.pdf," "Warrant Details.pdf," the warrant-notification email, and the warrant. That communication existed five days before the final response but was not among the four records identified as the Item 4 production.

The same production contains the Sheriff's July 15 Warrant Details record. It identifies Warrant No. 314270 and State Warrant No. W26F4152 as active, names the Lincolnshire Police Department as the warrant-issuing agency, and contains headings for "Event Log" and "Service Attempts." This does not establish that responsive service records exist, but it identifies a Sheriff-controlled local record and fields relevant to the scope of the search. It also supplies documentary context for the response's statement that the matter originated with Lincolnshire.

REQUESTED RELIEF



I ask the PAC to determine whether the Sheriff's Office conducted a search reasonably calculated to locate records responsive to Items 2 and 6; whether its Item 4 production was incomplete in light of the July 15 "FOIA Guidance" communication; and whether the Office must conduct a supplemental search and issue a record- and category-specific response.

I further ask that the PAC obtain the complete search and processing file, including the custodians and systems searched, the Item 4 collection, the July 15 draft and review chain, and the local Warrant Details event and service-attempt history necessary to determine whether responsive records were overlooked or withheld.

ENCLOSURES

Exhibit A reproduces the July 13 electronic request record. Exhibit B faithfully reproduces the operative determination portion of the July 20 Gmail response. Exhibit C is County production page 217, the July 15 "FOIA Guidance" email. Exhibit D is County production pages 228-229, the Sheriff's Warrant Details record. The signed Request for Review is the present instrument.

I do not ask the PAC to decide the validity of the warrant or the identity of personnel appearing at the Chicago residence. The requested review is limited to FOIA search adequacy, completeness, and the statutory disposition of the identified record categories.

Respectfully and without waiver of any right or remedy,

/s/ Ehab Allababidi

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LEGAL CORRESPONDENCE

Request for Review under 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a)

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July 29, 2026

ENCLOSURE REGISTER

EXHIBIT INDEX

The following authenticated records are transmitted with and incorporated into this letter.

EX.	RECORD	BATES / SOURCE
A	July 13 electronic request record — P008746-071326 Authenticated Gmail sent-record rendering containing the complete operative request.	EMAIL-064
B	July 20 partial-denial determination — faithful Gmail text reproduction Determination language reproduced from the authenticated mailbox; metadata appears at the top.	GMAIL-MSG-19f817552ad77771
C	July 15 “FOIA Guidance” email to State’s Attorney civil counsel County production page 217; the listed attachments include the request and draft response.	PROD-000217
D	Sheriff Warrant Details record County production pages 228-229; printed July 15, 2026 under login sd.rcasas.	PROD-000228–000229



A

July 13 electronic request record — P008746-071326

EMAIL-064

Authenticated Gmail sent-record rendering containing the complete operative request.

RECORDS REQUEST #

FBIHQ
Dina.Hillger@fbi.com

LAKESHERIFF Support lakecountysheriff@gmail.com

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ECC:
[none]

SENT
July 13, 2026 at 06:45:28 PM CDT

GMAIL MESSAGE ID
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MESSAGE BODY

URGENT: Portal Access Failure -- Deliver All FOIA Records by Email -- PO08843-070626 / P008746-071326

Dear Mr. Casey and Freedom of Information Officer:

I am providing formal notice that the Lake County Public Records Center is no longer functioning properly for my account and cannot be relied upon as the means of delivering records or correspondence concerning Sheriff's Office FOIA Request Nos. P00843-070626 and P008746-071326.

On July 13, 2026, I followed the portal's password-reset and account-access instructions repeatedly using the correct email address. Lake County's system generated password-reset messages at approximately 2:32 p.m. and 2:37 p.m. CDT and account-unlock message at approximately 2:34 p.m. and 2:37 p.m. CDT. I selected new passwords through the supplied links, but the new credentials still did not permit access and the account continued to be locked.

Accordingly, effective immediately:

- Please send all responsive records, status notices, extension notices, determination letters, denials, responses, and download links directly to dhillger@fbi.com.
- Do not require access to the Public Records Center as a condition of receiving any FOIA response or responsive records.
- Please confirm by return email that both request numbers remain active and that all future communications and productions will be delivered directly by email.
- Please ensure the appropriate technical administrator promptly inspect and correct the account, confirm the exact username associated with it, and determine whether duplicate or conflicting account records exist.
- Please preserve all portal authentication and audit records associated with my email address and these requests, including login attempts, password-reset events, account modifications, time stamps, source IP information maintained by the system, and administrator actions from July 6, 2026 through the present.

The repeated portal malfunction is an administrative and technical problem outside my control. It must not delay, restrict, or prevent delivery of records and legally required correspondence. Nothing in this notice consents to an extension or restart of any otherwise applicable response period.

Please acknowledge receipt and confirm direct email delivery as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
Ethel Alabado
Phone: 773-800-0030
Email: dhillger@fbi.com

On Mon, Jul 13, 2026 at 6:26 PM LAKECOUNTYSHERIFF Support <lakesheriffsupport@gmail.com> wrote:
Dear Ethel Alabado:
Thank you for your interest in the public records of Lake County Sheriff. Your Freedom of Information Act request has been sent and will be processed as soon as possible.
Your request has been given the reference number P008746-071326 for tracking purposes.
Records Requested: Dear Mr. Casey and Freedom of Information Officer:
In response to the Sheriff's Office's July 13, 2026 notification, please accept this email as the complete resubmission of my Illinois Freedom of Information Act request in the body of the electronic submission.
Please associate the following case name with the request: "The Sheriff's Office Reference No. P008843-070626." Although the same request was previously transmitted as an attachment, the complete operative text appears below so that the request may now be processed in accordance with your instructions.
REQUEST UNDER THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT -- S.C.S 1-401.1
PURSUANT TO THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, S.C.S. 1-401.1 et seq., I request copies of the following records concerning the warrant of Arrest issued May 28, 2026 for Ethel Alabado, DOB September 24, 1996, in People v. Alabado, Lake County Case No. 23 CF 1146.
I am the person who is the subject of the warrant. A copy of my identification is available upon request.
Unless a different period is specifically stated below, the requested date range is May 1, 2026 through the date of the Sheriff's Office's response.
RECORDS REQUESTED
1. Warrant receipt and processing records;
All records reflecting the Lake County Sheriff's Office's receipt, intake, review, entry, processing, confirmation, modification, or maintenance of the May 28, 2026 warrant, including:

- warrant-intake logs;
- warrant-disk records;
- routing records;
- entry or coordination records generated or maintained by the Sheriff's Office;
- time stamps;
- transaction records;
- internal status records; and
- records identifying the dates, times, steps, or personnel involved in processing the warrant.

This request does not seek disclosure of any LEADS or NCC field that is independently exempt from disclosure. Any exempt field may be redacted while the remainder of the responsive Sheriff's Office record is produced.

2. Service, execution, CAD, dispatch, detention, release, arrest, and other records;
All records concerning any attempted, planned, requested, discussed, cancelled, deferred, completed, or unsuccessful service or execution of the warrant, including:

- CAD entries;
- dispatch records;
- radio-dispatch records;
- call-for-service records;
- event histories;
- unit assignment records;
- officer reports;
- supplemental reports;
- warrant service logs;
- location inquiries;
- address inquiries;
- vehicle inquiries;
- officer notes;
- superior reviews; and
- records reflecting any request for assistance from another law-enforcement agency.

This category includes records regarding either the warrant, disk disposition, the Winona Street address associated with the undersigned, or any other address or vehicle associated with an attempted warrant execution.

All records reflecting:

- the warrant's pickup radius;
- extrajurisdiction designation;
- narrative, statewide, countywide, local, or other pickup designation;
- any agency specific service limitation;
- any restriction concerning the location at which an arrest may be made;
- any instruction concerning transportation or detention;
- whether another agency was authorized or requested to execute the warrant;
- any change, correction, suspension, recall, cancellation, initiation, continuation, or amendment to the warrant's status since issuance; and
- the effective date and time of each such designation or change.

Again, direct disclosures of any independently exempt LEADS or NCC field is not requested. The Sheriff's Office should instead produce its own responsive records with exempt fields redacted where legally necessary.

4. Intergovernmental and internal communication;
All communications, including emails, memoranda, letters, messages, logged telephone calls, call notes, routing records, meeting records, internal referrals, and other correspondence between the Lake County Sheriff's Office and any of the following:

- a. the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit's Division of Adult Probation Services;
- b. the Lake County State Attorney's Office;
- c. the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Lake County;
- d. the Lincolnshire Police Department;
- e. the Chicago Police Department;
- f. the City of Chicago Department of Law;
- g. any other law enforcement, prosecutorial, probation, court, municipal, county state, or federal agency;

where the communication reflects:

- Thel Alabado;
- People v. Alabado, No. 23 CF 1146;
- the May 28, 2026 warrant;
- the undersigned's address, vehicle, location, arrest, surrender, appearance, detention, transportation, or apprehension;
- any planned or attempted execution of the warrant; or
- any request that another agency confirm, locate, monitor, detain, arrest, or transport the undersigned.

The date range for this category is May 1, 2026 through the date of the Sheriff's Office's response.

5. Warrant service policies and general orders;
This category includes the Sheriff's current policies, general orders, directives, manuals, protocols, standard operating procedures, training materials, or written guidance governing:

- warrant intake;
- warrant initialization;
- warrant prioritization;
- service or execution of warrant warrants;
- service of non-bind warrants;
- geographic pickup limitations;
- extrajurisdiction or transportation designations;
- coordination with outside law enforcement agencies;
- documentation of attempted warrant service;
- CAD or dispatch coding for warrant activity;
- supervisory review of warrant service activity; and
- cancellation, recall, modification, or suspension of warrant service efforts.

This category generally applies nationwide and does not request operational details whose disclosure would create a legally cognizable security risk. If a particular portion is exempt, please reflect that portion and produce the remainder.

6. Hints, flags, alerts, bulletins, and related records;
All records reflecting any hint, flag, alert, caution indicator, bulletin, hot-sheet entry, notification, monitoring instruction, officer safety notation, address notation, vehicle notation, administrative warning, or similar designation associated with:

- the undersigned's address;
- a vehicle associated with the undersigned;
- Case No. 23 CF 1146; or
- the May 28, 2026 warrant.

This includes records relating when the designation was created, modified, transmitted, reviewed, suspended, or removed and, to the extent nonexempt, the agency or unit responsible for creating or requesting it.

FOIRM CP PRODUCTION
Please provide the responsive records electronically by email to:
dhillger@fbi.com

PDF production is acceptable. Records maintained in a native electronic format may also be produced in that native format where doing so preserves useful metadata, searchable text, timestamps, or other information that would be lost through conversion.
No paper copies are requested.
Under 5 ILCS 1-403(c)(1), no paper-copying charge shall apply to records transmitted electronically by email. If the Sheriff's Office believes that any authorized fee applies, please provide a written itemization and statutory basis before incurring the charge.
This request is not for a commercial purpose within the meaning of 5 ILCS 1-403.1.

REDACTION AND EXEMPTION HANDLING
I understand that certain LEADS, NCIC, DOJ, ICE, personal, or security-related information may be subject to a valid exemption.
This request does not seek unauthorized access to LEADS or NCIC databases or disclosure of independently exempt system fields. It seeks responsive records generated, received, transmitted, or maintained by the Lake County Sheriff's Office.
If a responsive record contains redaction codes, please indicate only the exempt portion and produce the remaining segregable material.
For every record withheld in whole or in part, please provide the written notice required by 5 ILCS 1-409, including:

- 1. the specific exemption relief sought;
- 2. the factual and legal bases for applying it;
- 3. a description sufficient to identify the record or category withheld;
- 4. the names and titles of the persons responsible for the denial; and
- 5. notice of the requester's rights to review.

A categorical statement that records are "law enforcement sensitive," "confidential," or contained in a restricted system is not a substitute for the record-specific determination and written explanation required by Act.

RESPONSE PERIOD
This corrected electronic request is being resubmitted on July 13, 2026 in the complete formal request submitted by the Sheriff's Office.
Under 5 ILCS 1-403(b)(1), the Sheriff's Office must respond within five business days after request, subject to any extension provision included in writing under the Act. Absent a lawful extension, the response is due July 17, 2026.
Partial or rolling production is welcome.

Please confirm:

- 1. the date and time this corrected request was received;
- 2. that it had been associated with References No. P00843-070626;
- 3. the satisfactory response date being applied; and
- 4. the name and contact information of the FOIA officer responsible for processing it.

PRESERVATION NOTICE
Independently of the production obligations imposed by FOIA, please preserve all potentially responsive records, including electronically stored information and associated metadata, pending final resolution of this request and any related administrative or judicial review.
The requested records concern matters regulated in parallel Federal proceedings in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, including Alabado v. Jurin, No. 1:26-cr-01071, and Alabado v. Shepherd, No. 1:26-cr-0878.
The email therefore provides express notice that the records described above may be relevant to pending litigation.
The preservation request includes, without limitation:

- emails and attachments;
- CAD and dispatch data;
- call logs;
- warrant-intake and warrant-disk records;
- databases transaction histories;
- audit trails;
- timestamps;
- entry, modification, and access histories;
- text or electronic messages;
- officer and superior notes;
- recorded conversations;
- records maintained by third-party vendors;
- deleted but recoverable records;
- archived records;
- backup tapes; and
- records subject to an ordinary retention or deletion schedule.

Please suspend any routine destruction, deletion, overwriting, or modification process applicable to potentially responsive information until the relevant preservation obligation has concluded.
A response stating that no responsive records exist will be understood and ruled upon as the Sheriff's Office's formal representation that a reasonable search was conducted and that no responsive records were located.
Thank you. Please confirm receipt and processing of this corrected submission.
Respectfully,
Ethel Alabado
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Chicago, Illinois 60656
(773) 800-0030
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Your request will be reviewed by a FOIA officer who will contact about the availability of the records you have requested.

RELEASE NOTE: The Freedom of Information Act is designed to allow you to inspect or receive copies of records. It is not designed to regulate a public body to create new records or answer questions. To the extent that you wish to ask questions, please contact the appropriate department directly.

You can monitor the progress of your request via the link below and you'll receive an email when a response is available.

Lake County Sheriff

If you need help understanding how to request pages log this link [Public Records]https://pub37781.sendsendgrid.net/hcl/b3/a7u-m0E1VFblbn/Dgnb/SkyIsLnDPV?x=HGSL/PzFzGpMxNcBvAeIjOoPqRsTuVwXyZAbCdEfGhIjKlMnOpQrStUvWxYZaBcDeFghIJklMNOPQRSTUVWXYZabcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyzABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

Rethel Alabado
Personal Signature
Phone: 773-800-0030 (CASE

GMAIL DETERMINATION RECORD — FAITHFUL TEXT REPRODUCTION

Message ID: 19f817552ad77771
Thread ID: 19f817552ad77771
From: LAKECOUNTYILSHERIFF Support <lakecountylsheriff@govqa.us>
To: Ehab Allababidi <defcon5ready@gmail.com>
Subject: [Records Center] RECORDS REQUEST :: P008746-071326
Received: July 20, 2026 at 9:36:15 p.m. CDT

OPERATIVE DETERMINATION PORTION

I have attached responsive records relating to Items 1, 3, 4, and 5 of your request. Please note that the Lake County Sheriff's Office was automatically notified by the court via email of your warrant following your failure to appear in court. Copies of that email notification, the warrant, warrant details, and the Sheriff's Office policies regarding warrants are included with this response.

The Lake County Sheriff's Office conducted a reasonable search of its records and determined that it does not prepare, use, receive, possess, or control records responsive to Items 2 or 6 of your request. Please note that this matter originated with the Lincolnshire Police Department.

To the extent any portion of this response is construed as a denial, you have a right to have the denial of your request reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a).

You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor
Office of the Attorney General
500 South 2nd Street
Springfield, Illinois 62701
Phone: 877-299-3642
E-mail: Public.Access@ilag.gov

You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC.

If you have any questions about this response or need additional information, please respond to this email.

Sincerely,

Raul Casas
Records Supervisor
Sheriff's Office

REPRODUCTION NOTE

The text above is reproduced from the Gmail message body read from the authenticated mailbox. The original message quoted the complete operative request before the determination. Exhibit A supplies the request record separately. This page does not reproduce the GovQA tracking hyperlink or the four linked production files because those items are not part of the determination language quoted above.



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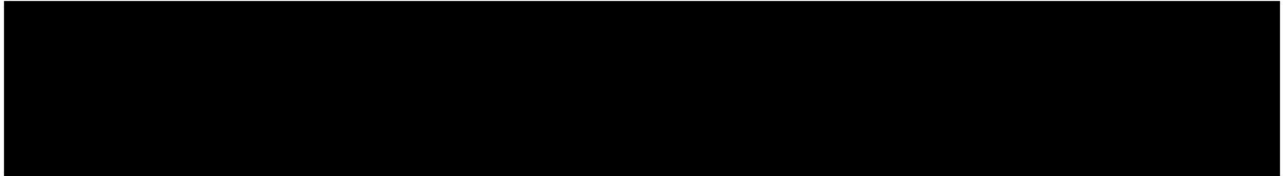
July 15 “FOIA Guidance” email to State's Attorney civil counsel

PROD-000217

County production page 217; the listed attachments include the request and draft response.

From: [Raul Casas](#)
To: [Melanie Nelson](#)
Subject: FOIA Guidance
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 2:28:29 PM
Attachments: [Ehab FOIA.pdf](#)
[FOIA 8746 Draft Response.pdf](#)
[Warrant Details.pdf](#)
[Pw Warrant WT filed for 23CF00001146.pdf](#)
[EHABALLABABDI23CF00001146VIOL.pdf](#)
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Hi Melanie,



Thank you,



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Sheriff Warrant Details record

PROD-000228–000229

County production pages 228-229; printed July 15, 2026 under login sd.rcasas.



Warrant Details



Agency: Lake County Sheriff's Office
Agency #: IL0490000

Print Date/Time: 07/15/2026 14:17

Warrant Status: All
Warrant Category: All
Warrant Type: All

From Date: All
To Date: All

Warrant Information			
General			
Number:	314270	Original Name:	
Category:	Felony	Type:	Violation
Location:		Action:	Active
Date/Time:	05/28/2026	Expiration Date:	
Emancipation Date:		Extradite:	No
Served By:		Status:	Active
Status Date/Time:	05/28/2026	Status Reason:	
Offender Subject Type:	Adult	Offender Name Formatted:	ALLABABIDI, EHAB
Offender Local ID Number:		Offender License Number:	
Offender License Expiration Date:		Offender Height:	
Offender Race:		Offender Sex:	Male
Offender Eye Color:	Brown	Offender Hair Color:	Brown
			
		Night Service:	No
		Status Entered By:	nwsinterfaces
		Status Comments:	
		Offender Date Of Birth:	09/24/1996
		Offender License State:	IL
		Offender Weight:	200 lbs to 200 lbs
		Offender Ethnic Origin:	
Dispositions			
Supplemental Information			
Warrant Issuing Agency:	IL0492900: Lincolnshire Police Department	Warrant Issuing Judge:	Christopher R. Stride
Other Agency:		Other Agency Case Number:	
Court Case Number:	23CF00001146	State Warrant Number:	W26F4152
Apprehension Area:	Illinois/Wisconsin Only	NCIC Miscellaneous Text:	
		Filed By Personnel:	
		Court Case Agency:	
		Federal Warrant Number:	



Warrant Details



Agency: Lake County Sheriff's Office
Agency #: IL0490000

Print Date/Time: 07/15/2026 14:17

Warrant Status: All
Warrant Category: All
Warrant Type: All

From Date: All
To Date: All

Charges			
Occurred Date/Time:	5/23/2022	Docket Number:	
Bond Amount:		Disposition:	
Counts:	1	Statute Group:	State
Statute Crime Code:	NR - Non-Reportable Crime Code	Statute Description:	SPEEDING 35+ MPH OVER LIMIT
Statute Sub-Type:	Traffic	Statute Effective Date:	12/31/2021
Statute Unconstitutional Date:		Clery Code:	
Occurred Date/Time:	5/23/2022	Docket Number:	
Bond Amount:		Disposition:	
Counts:	1	Statute Group:	State
Statute Crime Code:	NR - Non-Reportable Crime Code	Statute Description:	AGG RECKLESS DRVG/BODILY HARM
Statute Sub-Type:	Traffic	Statute Effective Date:	12/31/2004
Statute Unconstitutional Date:		Clery Code:	
Event Log			
Service Attempts			
Vehicles			