

RESOLUTION 2025-146

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CONFIRMING THE SETTLEMENT PAYMENT OF ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500) TO ROTIMI OWOH, ESQ. (O.B.O. AFRICAN AMERICAN DATA & RESEARCH INSTITUTE) IN CONNECTION WITH GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNCIL COMPLAINT NO. 2022-141

WHEREAS, on or about April 18, 2022, Rotimi Owoh, Esq. (O.B.O. African American Data & Research Institute) (the “**Requestor**”) filed a Denial of Access Complaint against the Township of Chatham Police Department, with the Government Records Council (the “**GRC**”), bearing case number *GRC Complaint No. 2022-141* (the “**Action**”); and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2025, the GRC entered a Final Decision of the Government Records Council and issued the Findings and Recommendations of the Executive Director in the Action (the “**Final Decision**”); and

WHEREAS, the GRC’s Final Decision required the Township of Chatham Police Department to pay the Requestor’s attorney’s fees incurred in connection with the Action; and

WHEREAS, the Requestor and Township of Chatham (the “**Township**”) negotiated and agreed to a total amount of attorney’s fees of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) (the “**Settlement Payment**”); and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to adopt this Resolution to confirm authorization of the Settlement Payment.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth at length.
2. The Township hereby confirm the authorization of the Settlement Payment.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: June 24, 2025

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM

Attest:


Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By 
Jen Rowland, Deputy Mayor