In the Indiana Supreme Court

Roy Lee Ward, Appellant,

v.

State of Indiana, Appellee.

Supreme Court Case Nos. 74S00-0907-PD-320 25S-SD-167

Trial Court Case No. 74C01-0107-CF-158



Order

On September 5, 2025, Appellant, by counsel, filed a motion to compel the Indiana Department of Correction (DOC) to answer several outstanding record requests his counsel made under the Access to Public Records Act (APRA). On September 10, the State filed a response opposing the motion, indicating that the three public record requests Appellant identified—made on May 8, June 9, and July 14, 2025—have been answered. On September 11, Appellant moved for leave to file a reply in support of the motion to compel and tendered a reply and five attachments.

Being duly advised, the Court GRANTS Appellant's "Motion for Leave to File Reply" and directs the Clerk to file Appellant's "Reply to State's Verified Response in Opposition to Motion to Compel" and Exhibits A–E as of the date of this order. But because this successive post-conviction proceeding is not the proper avenue for Appellant to seek additional information to which he believes he is entitled from the DOC based on its responses to his public-records requests, the Court DENIES the "Motion for Court Order to Compel the Indiana Department of Correction to Answer Ward's Record Requests Made Pursuant to the Access to Public Records Act."

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on _9/11/2025___

Louis A. Rush

Loretta H. Rush Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.