

# Exhibit I



Civil Rights Division

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Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts Branch - BCIN  
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Via Electronic Mail Only

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Dear Ms. Sommer:

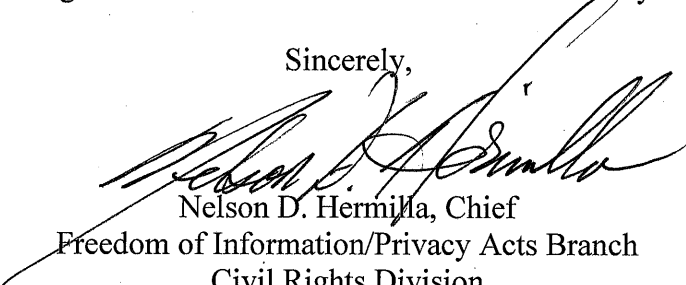
This is in further response to your March 13, 2017, Freedom of Information Act request seeking access to records pertaining to the Department of Justice withdrawal of guidance to Title IX and transgender students.

After review of the responsive Civil Rights Division documents, I have determined that access to the documents should be denied pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(5), since the records consist of attorney work product and include intra-agency memoranda containing pre-decisional, deliberative material. Although we have considered a discretionary release of the information, we have determined that the withheld information is not appropriate for such disclosure.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

I hope the Civil Rights Division has been of some assistance to you in this matter.

Sincerely,



Nelson D. Hermilla, Chief  
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Civil Rights Division