

From: Palmisano, Michael@GOVOPS [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Public Records Act Request
Date: November 13, 2023 at 12:06 PM
To: Christi Grab [REDACTED]@go.net
Cc: Ford, Johanna@GOVOPS [REDACTED]

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Ms. Grab,

Aside from contacting the relevant offices and those listed in statute, which you indicate you've already done, I have no additional guidance to offer on this matter. Thank you again for contacting GovOps with your inquiry.

Sincerely,

Michael Palmisano *(he, him, his)*
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From: Christi Grab [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 11:54 AM
To: Palmisano, Michael@GOVOPS [REDACTED]
Cc: Ford, Johanna@GOVOPS [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Public Records Act Request

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Mr. Palmisano:

I want to clarify that I am not asking for the records. I am asking you to identify the appropriate agency that posses these records.

GovOps is supposed to know which agencies do which tasks, so I would appreciate it if you would clarify why you are unable to give me the information about which agency holds the bonds.

Regards,

Christine Grab

On Nov 13, 2023, at 11:40 AM, Palmisano, Michael@GOVOPS
[redacted] wrote:

Ms. Grab,

If you have an additional request for documents, I'm happy to work with you to identify potentially responsive records in GovOps's possession. However, I do not have any further information related to your previous request. Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

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From: Christi Grab [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 11:39 AM
To: Palmisano, Michael@GOVOPS [REDACTED]
Cc: Ford, Johanna@GOVOPS [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Public Records Act Request

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Mr. Palmisano:

As already stated in both emails, I have already reached out to both agencies that were listed in the GCS laws.

Since neither agency contains the records as is required by the laws, I am reaching out to you to help me find the records.

Helping people get connect with the right agency is what GovOps is supposed to do.

Please help me identify where the records are so I can request copies in accordance with my rights under GCS 1460.

If the records do not exist at any agency, please clarify.

Thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

Christine Grab

On Nov 13, 2023, at 11:33 AM, Palmisano, Michael@GOVOPS
[REDACTED] wrote:

Ms. Grab,

I'm able to confirm only that GovOps does not possess the records you requested. You may wish to reach out to the relevant departments and the indicated Legislative offices if you have any additional inquiries. Thank you again for contacting us with your request.

Sincerely,

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From: Christi Grab [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 11:31 AM
To: Palmisano, Michael@GOVOPS
[REDACTED]
Cc: Ford, Johanna@GOVOPS [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Public Records Act Request

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Hi Mr. Palmsiano:

I tried to call, but your voicemail has not been set up yet and thus I was unable to leave a message.

At this point, DGS has told me that they have no record of these documents, despite the fact that GCS 1455 says they are to be recorded with DGS. The SOS also says they have no records, despite the fact that GCS 1455 says they are to be filed with the SOS.

Now GovOps is telling me they have no records of where these bonds can be procured from. Since GovOps is supposed to be overseeing regular government operations, if GovOps doesn't know where the bonds are, then probably nobody knows.

Does this mean that the State of California is not issuing bonds in accordance with California Government Code section 1450 - 1463?

Please confirm.

Regards,

Christine Grab

On Nov 13, 2023, at 11:24 AM, Palmisano,
Michael@GOVOPS

[REDACTED] wrote:

Ms. Grab,

GovOps has no records responsive to your below request. Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

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From: Christi Grab [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 9:39 AM
To: OpenData@state.ca.gov; AskGovOps@GovOps
<AskGovOps@govops.ca.gov>
Subject: I request a copy of bonds as is my right under

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Hello Gov Ops Public Records Department:
Per California Government Code section 1450 - 1463 (https://california.public.law/codes/ca_gov't_code_section_1450), bonds are required to be issued on every government employee.

CGC 1455 says "all official bonds of state officers and employees not expressly prescribed by law shall be forwarded to the Department of General Services for recordation. Upon such recordation the Department of General Services shall forward the bonds to the Secretary of State where they shall be filed."

CGC 1460 says: "Every officer with whom official bonds are filed shall carefully keep and preserve the bonds. He shall give certified copies thereof to any person demanding copies, upon being paid the same fees as are allowed by law for certified copies of papers in other cases."

I am trying to obtain copies of the bonds for the following people:

1. Emran, Hasib, who works for the State Controller's Office
2. Brunett, Jozel, who works for the California Franchise Tax Board
3. Fowler, Jennifer, who works for the California Franchise Tax Board
4. Gardner, William, who works for the California Franchise Tax Board
5. Haase, Dennis, who works for the California Franchise Tax Board
6. Hofeling, Shane, who works for the California Franchise Tax Board
7. Maples, Susan, who works for the California Franchise Tax Board

8. McElhatton, Laurie, who works for the California Franchise Tax Board
9. Scott, Craig, who works for the California Franchise Tax Board
10. Atkins, Toni who is an elected State Senator
11. Weisz, Jason who works for State Senator Atkins
12. Weiner, Scott, who is an elected State Senator
13. Durazo, Maria Elena, who is an elected State Senator
14. Seyarto, Kelly, who is an elected State Senator
15. Caballero, Anna, who is an elected State Senator
16. Erika Contreras, Secretary of the Senate

The law clearly says the bonds are supposed to be filed in the Secretary of State office, however, the Secretary of State says they don't have these records, nor do they know where to obtain the records from.

Prior to contacting the Secretary of State, I had spoken with Kevin Tateyama at the California Department of General Services about the bonds. Mr. Tateyama stated that DGS does not retain any information on bonds, that they must be obtained from the SOS.

I am making this request for bonds from GovOps because GovOps allegedly oversees standard government operations, and I believe that the issuance of bonds falls under your purview. If your office is not the proper place to obtain these records, please let me know where the documents can be obtained from.

If GovOps is the right place to get these documents from, please confirm. If there is a fee for the records, just send me an email with the fee amount and payment method options and I will pay the fee right away.

I appreciate your help in resolving this matter.

Regards,

Christine Grab