FOAA Request

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Ms. Heald,

Please consider this a FOAA request submitted on behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union of Maine Foundation pursuant to 1 M.R.S. 408-A. Specifically we request:

Any and all documents from January 1, 2020 to present demonstrating, for each person incarcerated at any Department of Corrections-operated adult detention facility, the incarcerated person's: (1) race; (2) age; (3) gender; (4) whether the person has any known physical or mental disabilities; (5) each charge the resident was convicted of or pled guilty or not contest to; and (6) for each charge, the docket number associated with the charge; the duration of the sentence on that charge; whether any or all of the sentence was suspended; whether the sentence is served consecutively or concurrently; and whether the sentence included probation, restitution, or fines.

"Department of Corrections-operated adult detention facility" includes but is not limited to Maine State Prison, Mountain View Correctional Facility, Bolduc Correctional Facility, Maine Correctional Center, Downeast Correctional Facility, Southern Maine Women's Reentry Center, and Women's Center.

If you deny all or any part of this request, please provide written notice of the denial and the asserted basis for that denial, as required by 1 M.R.S. 408-A(4). Please cite each specific FOAA exemption that you assert as a basis for your denial.

Under 1 M.R.S. 408-A(11)(B), the ACLU of Maine is entitled to a waiver of any fees because release of the requested records is in the public interest. Release of the requested records is "like to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations of activities of government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester." 1 M.R.S. 408-A(11)(B). To the extent that fee waiver is not granted, please provide a cost estimate within a reasonable time, as required by 1 M.R.S. 408-A(3), (9). Please produce records electronically, to the extent possible.

We look forward to hearing from you no later than five days from your receipt of this request.

Thank you,

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