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City of Lakewood v. Koenig

Supreme Court of Washington, En Banc - December 11, 2014 - P.3d - 2014 WL 7003790

City brought an action against requester for a declaratory judgment that city complied with requests under the Public Records Act (PRA). The Superior Court granted summary judgment in favor of city and denied requester's request for costs and attorney fees. Requester appealed. The Court of Appeals reversed and remanded.

After grant of city's petition for review, the Supreme Court of Washington held that:

- City violated requirement of PRA that city provide brief explanation of how disclosure exemptions applied to redacted information, and
- Determination that city violated brief explanation requirement of PRA was a vindication of requester's right to receive a response, as would entitle requester to attorney fees.