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Petitioner sought a writ of mandamus ordering police chief and city to produce documents related to city's implementation of a traffic-ticket quota, as well as statutory damages, attorney fees, and costs.

The Supreme Court held that:

- Petitioner was not entitled to mandamus relief on her request seeking a copy of reprimand issued to police officer for failing to write enough traffic citations;
- City's 13-month delay in responding to petitioner's public records request was unreasonable and warranted an award of statutory damages; and
- Petitioner failed to establish that she was entitled to an award of attorney fees.

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