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Dr. Jon R. Cavicchi Intellectual Property Librarian Franklin Pierce Law Center 2 White Street Concord, NH 03301

Dear Dr. Cavicchi:

This is in reply to your question to our FOIA Officer, Ramona B. Oliver, concerning the reason for a Freedom of Information Act Request for the invention files of the National Inventors Council. The records come under the (B)(4) clause of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. 552) exempting confidential commercial or financial information that is less than ten years old, or a trade secret. To view or obtain copies of the 193 cubic feet of records you will therefor have to file a FOIA request. Your request may be sent to Michael J. Kurtz, Assistant Archivist, ATTN: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REVIEW, National Archives at College Park, 8601 Adelphi Road, Room 3400, College Park, MD 20740-6001.

Sincerely,

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