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**To:** [FOIA Metra](#)  
**Subject:** Request from Mary Wisniewski at the Chicago Tribune  
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To Whom it May Concern,

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting information relating to misconduct committed by employee Jennifer Soto.

I am requesting records related to [REDACTED] case, including any memos, emails and other documents detailing her misconduct. I am also looking for documents related to her eventual discipline and/or dismissal.

Furthermore, I am looking for any emails or other correspondence between Metra officials and State Rep. [REDACTED] regarding the discipline proceedings against [REDACTED].

My expectation is that Metra will exempt private information, as required per statute. But I would remind the agency that the separate privacy exemption is a balancing test, and I would argue that there is significant, and legitimate, public interest in gathering this information. Regardless, the public duties of public employees are not covered by this exemption, and I would argue that this includes contract employees.

If you feel any aspect of this request is unduly burdensome, please contact me immediately to discuss. If there are portions of this request that can be filled quickly – perhaps at the same time as other FOIAs seeking similar information – I would ask that you fill those portions quickly and provide the remaining records within the statutory timeframe.

As a member of the news media seeking these records in the public interest, I respectfully request fees be waived, per statute.

Thank you,

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