

Before the Presiding Judges of the Administrative Judicial Regions

Per Curiam Rule 12 Decision

APPEAL NO.: 03-003

RESPONDENT: City Secretary for City of Richardson Municipal Courts

DATE: August 18, 2003

SPECIAL COMMITTEE: Judge John Ovard, Judge B. B. Schraub, Judge Darrell Hester, Judge Stephen B. Ables, Judge Dean Rucker

The applicant requested access to “all court or case records, judicial records, and public records (for the last five years) of misdemeanor convictions, if any stemming from violations of the City of Richardson Parks Department rules and regulations held by the City of Richardson Municipal Court.” The city agreed to provide copies of the records with confidential information redacted, provided the requester paid the costs of the copying and redacting. The requester filed this petition for review under Rule 12 of the Rules of Judicial Administration.

When records of misdemeanor convictions are in the custody of the municipal court, they are records pertaining to the municipal court's adjudicative function and are created, produced, and filed in connection with matters that are or have been before the municipal court. As such, they are not judicial records within the definition of Rule 12.2(d). *See* Rule 12 Decisions 00-001; 02-002, and 02-005. Accordingly, we deny the petition for review.