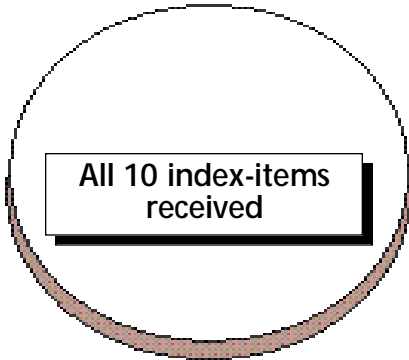


FIRST TWO VISITS: OCT. 22
NOV. 6

North Kingstown

Documents Not Received



School Committee Minutes:

- Readability: Average
- Thoroughness: Poor
- Layout: Average
- Legal Compliance: Full

City/Town Council Minutes:

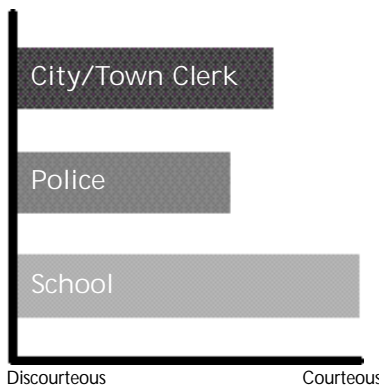
- Readability: Good
- Thoroughness: Poor
- Layout: Average
- Legal Compliance: Full

North Kingstown provided all of the indexed items requested, although not all the documents were provided readily and without impediment. The North Kingstown Police Department was particularly discourteous in providing arrest reports, asking the researcher why “any normal person would just come in off the street to look at the arrest reports.” The reports were only one page long and included little basic information.

The experience requesting voter records was completely different. Although the researcher was not given an actual copy on disk of all voter records, the clerk was more than happy to let her look through the lists of all registered voters. No repeat visits were necessary in order to receive access to any of the documents requested. None of the requests to the School Department and the City Clerk’s office were met with questions about identification or reason for the requests.

“ The North Kingstown Police Department was not helpful. I asked the dispatcher for the arrest reports, and in turn, he asked why I wanted to see them. I said I was a concerned citizen. He went into a back room and sent out another police officer. She let me look at a computer that gave me a partial listing of arrests. I then asked for the brutality reports. I was told there were none but if they had any, they would be logged in with the regular reports. The officer then sat down at her desk with her back to me until I left. ”

How We Were Treated



Comparison: Cities/Towns

