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**IOWA PUBLIC INFORMATION BOARD MAY 2017 MEETING**

**Meeting.** The Iowa Public Information Board (IPIB) met on May 18, 2017, in Des Moines. The Board took the following actions:

- **Accepted Cases:** The Board accepted one complaint for further review. The complainant alleged that the Polk County Assessor violated Iowa Code chapter [22](#) by failing to release certain property ownership records by enacting a policy that allows individual property owners to disable the name search feature on the assessor's website. The matter will be investigated by the Board and presented at the July 2017 meeting.
- **Dismissed Cases:** The Board dismissed 15 complaint allegations, including three final reports that verified the completion of informal settlement agreements by all affected parties. The Board found that the remainder of the dismissed cases were either legally insufficient or did not fall under the Board's authority pursuant to Iowa Code chapters [21](#) (Open Meetings) and [22](#) (Open Records). Additionally, the Board voted to table an alleged violation of Iowa Code chapter [22](#) involving a deceased inmate's telephone call recordings requested from the Page County Jail.
- **Case Statistics:** The Board also received an update on the total number of complaints received in April 2017. The Board received 33 formal complaints, one request for an advisory opinion, 40 informal complaints, 145 informal requests, and 13 miscellaneous requests. According to data collected by the Board, 16.0% of these complaints and requests were filed by the media, 46.0% were filed by private citizens, and 38.0% of all complaints and requests were filed by government entities.

**Next Meeting.** The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for July 20, 2017, in Des Moines.

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