

**From:** [Brownell, Jim \(SAO\)](#)  
**To:** [SAO Public Records](#)  
**Subject:** FW: help please  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 2, 2025 8:10:03 AM  
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Good morning Mary,

I just submitted a PRR on this person's behalf on the SAO website. I included the relevant information and location of the responsive records in the submission. I'm forwarding you his original request for your records.

[Jim Brownell](#)

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**Cc:** Brownell, Jim (SAO) <[brownelj@sao.wa.gov](mailto:brownelj@sao.wa.gov)>  
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Tina and Jim,

Thank you. Just an FYI, I am off until Thursday and then will be moving offices, so I will get in touch the week of 9/8/25.

Thanks,

[Matt McCord](#)

Sr. Investigations Manager – HRD

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Hi Matt,

I am networking you with Jim Brownell our Assistant Director of State Audit and Special Investigations. He is the right person to answer your questions and will be able to assist you first of next week.

Have a great long weekend.



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Good afternoon Tina,

I am an investigator with DSHS HRD and was just assigned a case about which your office has recently concluded an audit, namely, Daniel Kresse. He is alleged to have been double dipping while employed with DSHS and DCYF.

I am hoping to be able to obtain a copy of the SAO audit your agency completed to be included as part of my investigative efforts.

Please advise how best to accomplish this. Do you need a special request? Is there an agency sharing agreement? Etc.?

Thank you,

*Matt McCord*

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