## MATTHEW E. POLLACK

v.

## **REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 75**

Argued May 10, 2017 Decided June 13, 2017

Panel: ALEXANDER, MEAD, GORMAN, JABAR, HJELM, and HUMPHREY, JJ.

## MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Matthew E. Pollack appeals from a judgment of the Superior Court (Cumberland County, *L. Walker, J.*) entered after a nonjury trial on his complaint alleging that Regional School Unit 75 (the District) improperly denied certain requests for information Pollack submitted to the District pursuant to Maine's Freedom of Access Act (FOAA), 1 M.R.S. §§ 400-414 (2013).¹ Contrary to Pollack's contentions, we discern no error of law or fact in the court's determinations that portions of the information Pollack requested from the District are wholly confidential by statute, *see* 1 M.R.S. § 402(3)(A); 20-A M.R.S. § 6101(2)(B) (2016), and that other portions of the requested information must be disclosed in a redacted form. *See MaineToday Media, Inc. v. State,* 2013 ME 100, ¶¶ 7, 9, 15 n.11, 82 A.3d 104.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Portions of the Freedom of Access Act have been amended since Pollack requested the documents in question. *See, e.g.,* P.L. 2015, ch. 494, § A-1 (effective Apr. 27, 2016); P.L. 2015, ch. 161, §§ 1-3 (effective Oct. 15, 2015); P.L. 2013, ch. 518, §§ 1-3 (effective Aug. 1, 2014). None of these amendments is relevant to the current appeal.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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