FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

May 3, 2018

Charlean Elston via the FOI website

Dear Charlean Elston,

regarding your Freedom of Information request titled "motherfucker" we collected the following information:

Motherfucker (sometimes abbreviated as mofo, mf, or mf'er) is an English-language vulgarism. While the word is usually considered highly offensive, it is rarely used in the literal sense of one who engages in sexual activity with another person's mother, or his or her own mother. Rather, it refers to a mean, despicable, or vicious person, or any particularly difficult or frustrating situation. Alternatively, it can be a term of admiration, as in the phrase "bad ass motherfucker", meaning a fearless and confident person.

Sincerely,

John Smith **FOI Manager**