

**Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission**  
**Dec 10, 2020 Meeting Public Comment**

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**Date of Submission:** Thursday, December 10, 2020 8:54AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Marilyn H Schewe

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Please we are not invisible and shouldn't be treated as such

Sincerely,

Marilyn Schewe

  
Livonia MI 48152

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Sincerely,

Carol Vogt

[Redacted]  
Temperance , Mich 48182  
[Address]

Sent from my iPad

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Sincerely,

[Name]Janice Kull  
[Address][Redacted]

Monroe, MI 48161

Sent from my iPhone

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**Name:** Charles E Tyrrell  
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Monroe, Mi. 48162

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:46PM  
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**Name:** Piper Fountain  
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Mason, MI 48854

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Sincerely,

Kristina Lyke

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East Lansing, Michigan 48823

Sincerely,

Lyke Law, PLLC

Kristina Lyke  
Attorney at Law

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 9:16PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Keith Molin

**Subject:** Selection Process - Communication & Outreach Personnel

To: The Ladies @ Gentlemen of the Commission

Allow me to open this correspondence by saying 'Thank You' to each - and all - for your willingness to serve on this Commission. In doing so, you have demonstrated a willingness to assume the responsibility of addressing a serious problem - a problem that gets to the heart of the manner in which our government is structured - a wrong that cries to be righted - in a way that our citizens are fairly represented by those whom we elect to lead us.

I think it only fair for me to say - assuming that responsibility carries with it the need to also be prepared to accept the criticism that will come with each decision you make - indeed, criticism that will come in the discussion stage - long before a 'decision' is made. Don't take it seriously - it comes with the territory.

I have a sense of deja vu about the mission on which you are now launched. Some years ago I finished my tour of duty as a draftee in the US Army - returned to civilian life back home in Michigan - returned to college - and set out to complete the pursuit of my undergraduate degree.

While doing so I discovered a diverse group of citizens - from all corners of the state - reflecting a wide range of political thinking - had undertaken an effort to place on the ballot a proposal to call for the convening of a Convention for the purpose of writing a new State Constitution.

The group was non-partisan. Members from both major parties were included amongst its membership - as well as activists who belonged to neither but were involved in their communities and committed to 'good government.' The group was known as "Citizens for Michigan."

I decided this was an effort I wished to support - and I joined the effort.

Citizens for Michigan was successful - the proposal was adopted - in a subsequent election delegates were elected - and in 1962-63 a convention to rewrite the Constitution of the State of Michigan was convened.

I had by that time completed my undergraduate work - had my degree - and was offered an internship as a Research Assistant to the Convention. I accepted. ...and what would years later (58 years in fact) create a sense of deja vu was underway.

Now, allow me to introduce myself. My name is Keith Molin - and from that experience grew a career that before it was completed found me to be blessed with an opportunity to serve the citizens of Michigan as a member of Former Gov. George Romney's (R) staff as an urban affairs officer; Former Gov William Milliken's (R) administration as his Legislative Liaison - then Director of Michigan's Dep't of Labor - and then his Director of Commerce. Several years later I was invited to serve in the administration of

Former Gov Jennifer Granholm (D) as the Executive Director of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA.)

I must share with you, my experience(s) have taught me the most difficult challenge from each and every vantage point it has been my privilege to serve, was to convince anyone - on any issue - that the effort was bipartisan - let alone nonpartisan. Yet! there are times when one must do so.

I was counseled early on in the Constitutional Convention by a long time and insightful Lansing journalist that to create a truly non-partisan public policy initiative within the arena of public policy is like trying to arrange a gathering of Bishops - to solve a problem - and telling them they are not to discuss religion.

It can't be done.  
But it must be attempted.

Reapportionment is the infrastructure of the political structure. It has been abused far beyond anything acceptable by any group of citizens committed to fair and equal representation. That's you - the members of this Commission. it is you who have been called to "do what can't be done."

I am writing this letter because it has come to my attention that you are now in the process of putting together your staff - the staff upon whom you will constantly call and heavily depend.

Indeed, I am told that on 10 December you will convene to interview candidates under consideration for a position that will play a large part in "Communications and Outreach" on behalf of the Commission. Critical position: - requires experience - instincts - credibility - all the time retaining the confidence of those s/he represents - AND - the respect of those to whom s/he makes those representations.

Further, it is my understanding one candidate who sought to be considered for this position was not included among the finalists you currently have in mind. That candidate is Walt Sorg.

I will not use your time to tell you what you already know about Walt's background. I will, however share with you it is my understanding your review of his career raised concerns about his likely being seen as too partisan - thus he was not included among the finalists.

I have known Walt for a number of years - and our paths have crossed many times - but never our swords. We were frequently on opposite sides of the issue that called us to the table - but when at the table, it was never "my way or no way" - it was always "how do we put together what our constituents (aka 'citizens) want - need - and expect from us?"

It is not for me to tell you what to do. BUT! I will do what I have been doing for more than a half-century. I will suggest you look at both sides of the mountain.

On the one side of that mountain you see a career that causes you to be concerned about his being seen as too partisan.

However, on the other side of that mountain you may find an amazing range of experiences - experiences that can serve the Commission in pursuit of its objectives in service to future generations.

Those experiences have developed a set of instincts - a reputation of credibility - and respect for his integrity. All things needed for the success of your undertaking.

Again, I'm not telling you what to do. I am, however urging you not to be concerned about the noise; - be certain you consider the value of the quiet water that runs deep on the other side of the mountain.

Think about it - you might do yourselves a favor by adding him to the list of those to yet be interviewed.

Again, Thank You for your service - Godspeed to you and your efforts.

Keith Molin

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Ann Arbor, MI 48103  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
Kalamazoo, 49004

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Lake Orion, MI 48362

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Monroe, MI 48161]

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[REDACTED]  
Howell, MI 48843

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]Michael St. Amour

[Address] 

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 7:36PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Angeline Watson

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully requested,

Kim Laforet  
Lansing, MI

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 7:32PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Bonnie St. Amour  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Bonnie St Amour  
  
Bitely, MI 49309

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 7:18PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Comcast

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Victoria Flis

  
Dearborn Heights, MI. 48127

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:52PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Dale Twing

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]

[Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:47PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Chester, Steven E.  
**Subject:** Support for James Lancaster as Executive Director

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

c/o Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson

Dear Commissioners:

I am emailing you to recommend James Lancaster for your consideration as Executive Director of the Commission. I have known Jim for over twenty years and have had the pleasure of working with him while both of us were at the Miller Canfield Law Firm, and as colleagues working for state government. He is a skilled attorney and outstanding advocate. Others have attested to his knowledge and

capabilities on the subject matter under consideration. I would like to add that I have known him to be a dedicated and attentive counselor for myriad clients, including municipalities, state economic entities, and public and private organizations. You will find Jim to be a thoughtful and considerate person, always respectful of the Commission, its interests, and the interests of the citizens of Michigan. Thank you for considering Jim for the position of Executive Director.

Regards,

Steven Chester

(former Director of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality)

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Sherry Curtis  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Sherry Curtis

[REDACTED]  
Lake Orion, MI 48360

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:17PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** SHERRY HIGGINS  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely, [Name] [Address]  
Sherry R. Higgins  
[REDACTED]  
Bloomfield Twp., MI. 48302

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:00PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]

[Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:57PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** JERRY E. VEVERKA

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely, Jerry Veverka [REDACTED] White Cloud Mi 49349

**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:56PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Larry Wilson  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners, I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster. It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity. Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write. I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner. Thank you for your time and consideration.  
Sincerely, [Name] [Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:56PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Pam Anderson  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Pamela Anderson  
[REDACTED]  
Fremont, MI 49412  
[Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:55PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jeanette Helppi  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Philip and Jeanette Helppi

[REDACTED]

Howell, MI. 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:55PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Charles Twing  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I wish to state my opinion and not send you one written by someone else. I do not know this Mr. Lancaster by if what is being said is correct there is no way he should be selected as the attorney for this supposed Independent Commission. If the Commission is truly Independent it should remain that way. I am sure there are truly Independent attorneys out there.

Sincerely,

Charles L. Twing

[REDACTED]

White Cloud, Michigan 49349

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:54PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Bradley Brunken  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:50PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Rob Steele  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

THANK YOU for volunteering to serve!

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Rob Steele

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:48PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Sue Brunken  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Susan Brunken  
  
Brighton, MI. 48114

Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Larry Obrecht

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]. LarryO Brecht

[Address].   
Oxford, 48371

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:38PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Patricia Woodward

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 4:07PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Linda McDade

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Linda McDade

[REDACTED]  
Howell, MI 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 3:27PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jonathan Mast  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Jonathan Mast  
[REDACTED]  
Fremont, MI 49412

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Jonathan Mast Internet Strategist [REDACTED] Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 3:04PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Christine  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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In reviewing Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner. It's so important now -- especially after the recent elections and all of the information/misinformation/distrust. Please nominate a truly non-partisan individual. There are many of those folks in our state -- do your work and find them!

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Christine Barker



Howell, MI 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 2:48PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Wasyl Zunbar  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 2:40PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Olivia Marsh

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Olivia Marsh

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Clinton twp MI 48038

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 2:13PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Ken  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

[Kenneth Cox]  
[REDACTED] Pinckney, Mi 58169]  
Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 2:10PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Locker  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:41PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Janice Rich

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:40PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Dennis

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Hult

[REDACTED]

White Cloud, Michigan

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:38PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:37PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Larry G. Smith

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position of the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Sincerely,

Larry Smith

  
Fremont, MI

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** K Ignatowski

**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,

Kathy Gorecki  
[REDACTED] Howell MI

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:30PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Mark Reckling  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Mark Reckling  
Livingston County, MI

**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:15PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Oak, Jon  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:07PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Beverly J. Hadley  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

[Name]  
[Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:03PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kathleen Paulson  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Kathleen Paulson  
[REDACTED]  
Lake Orion, MI 48362

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:32PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Audrey Redmann

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Audrey Redmann

[REDACTED]  
Milford, MI 48381

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:26PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Karen Kivisto

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Karen Kivisto  
[REDACTED]  
Milford, MI. 48380

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:19PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kristen Pietila  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Kristen Frantti  
[REDACTED]  
Howell, MI 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:11PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jolene Knapp

**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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**Jolene Knapp**

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:08PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Cjhouston6561

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Janet Houston

[REDACTED]  
Hartland, Mi. 48353  
[REDACTED]

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Pattyvl  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:06PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Greg Knapp  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Greg Knapp

C [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

South Lyon, MI 48178



**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:03PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Bill Anderson  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Bill Anderson

[REDACTED]  
Howell MI 48843. e]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:34AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Ron Renaud  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

Many kind regards,

Ron Renaud

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Sincerely,

Ron Renaud  
Oxford Michigan 48370

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:23AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Eric Lielbriedis  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster!!! . . . . From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster. **It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a fully partisan attorney.** Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations.

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Sincerely,  
Eric Lielbriedis

Saline, MI 48176

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:19AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Linda Moore  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Linda Moore

  
Canton MI 48188

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:18AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kristi Q  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

**Dear Redistricting Commissioners,**

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**Thank you for your time,**

**Kristi Hunt**

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:14AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jarvis Williams  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Jarvis Williams  
  
bloomfield Hills, Mi 48304

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
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Sincerely,  
Jarvis Williams

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:07AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** roger oram  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Carol Oram

[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:02AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jim Earle  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Anne Earle

[REDACTED]  
Lake Orion, MI 48360

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:58AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Randall Bruck  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Randall S. Bruck

[REDACTED]

Hartland, MI 48353

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:57AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Thomas Michals  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,  
Thomas Michals  
[REDACTED]  
Howell, Mi. 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:53AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Glen Sparks  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Glen H. Sparks  
[REDACTED]

Fremont, MI.  
49412

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:50AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Marie Monaco  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,

Marie Monaco

[REDACTED]  
Lake Orion, MI 48360

[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:49AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Guardians of the Constitution

**Subject:** Comments for Review Prior to December 10, 2020 Meeting on so-called "independent" redistricting

## SAY NO TO JAMES LANCASTER

After looking back at the Michigan Constitution of 1963 in an **unsuccessful** attempt to find the Section and Clause that showed that this so-called "Independent" Citizens Redistricting Commission constitutional amendment actually removed these commission members from the oversight of the governor (any governor) of the State of Michigan (unlike all other boards and commissions), I decided to search out the exact language of the Proposal 2 turned Constitutional Amendment in 2018.

In my search, I found the 30 pages of Public Comments that have been submitted thus far to the "independent" citizens redistricting commission in advance of tomorrow's (December 10, 2020) meeting.

Here is a link to that posted set of Public Comments on the Secretary of State web page:

[https://www.michigan.gov/documents/sos/12\\_10\\_Public\\_Comment\\_709924\\_7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/sos/12_10_Public_Comment_709924_7.pdf)

My first thought was that our governments really should take more seriously the responsibility of protecting our citizenry than to post their names and addresses on a publicly accessible website that might open them up to potential retributive actions by partisans who might believe differently than these brave citizens and who might have a vested interest in silencing any opposition to their ever-growing leviathanical actions towards an all-powerful state.

Still not having found the exact language of this Proposal 2 turned constitutional amendment, I searched further and found an article posted to Hillsdale College's webpage called The Collegian entitled "Michigan Voters Should Reject Proposal 2."

<http://hillsdalecollegian.com/2018/10/michigan-voters-reject-proposal-2/>

This Hillsdale article included the following observations:

*"(Eric) Holder's national Democratic redistricting group, "Voters Not Politicians," recently announced a \$250,000 donation to support the passage of Proposal 2, a Michigan ballot initiative that would take the power of redistricting away from state lawmakers and give it to an independent commission.*

*Holder (Eric Holder, former President Barack Obama's Attorney General) claims congressional redistricting practices have become partisan and undemocratic. But **their solution is worse: It takes power out of the hands of the people and puts it into the hands of the unelected and unaccountable.** Because of this, Michigan voters should reject Proposal 2."*

Okay, it is said that "past is prologue."

Then I found the actual Initiative Petition language that became Proposal 2:

[https://www.michigan.gov/documents/sos/Voters Not Pol p 598255 7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/sos/Voters_Not_Pol_p_598255_7.pdf)

Of course the front signature page of the petition has the following summary:

*"A proposal to amend the Michigan Constitution to create an Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission. If adopted, this amendment would transfer the authority to draw Congressional and State Legislative district lines from the Legislature and Governor to the Independent Commission. The selection process will be administered by the Secretary of State. Thirteen commissioners will be randomly selected from a pool of registered voters, and consist of four members who will self-identify with each of the two major political parties, and five non-affiliated, independent members. Current and former partisan elected officials, lobbyists, party officers and their employees are not eligible to serve."*

The actual changes to our Michigan Constitution are written on the **SEVEN pages** of additions and subtractions to the Constitution, in small print, that are attached to that summary signature page.

I would contend that it is highly unlikely that these seven pages of changes to our Constitution were read by many, if any of the voters who signed this petition; it

might honestly have remained unread by the actual dedicated petition signature gatherers.

THIS IS NO WAY TO AMEND OUR MICHIGAN CONSTITUTION.

It seems to me that people who sign a Petition like this one that proposes amending the Constitution might also have to sign a notarized Affidavit that they HAVE ACTUALLY READ AND UNDERSTAND THE LANGUAGE OF THE PETITION before they sign the Petition.

I am going to spend a couple of hours (or days) actually reading through what was added and what was removed, altered, changed, revised by the partisans of the Voters Not Politicians group that wrote this ballot proposal, because I personally don't believe that this Commission or its stated "independent" nature (administered by the radically partisan Secretary of State Benson) is in any way furthering our constitutionally limited republican form of government.

It truly is incumbent upon We the People to retake the mantle of authority for governing our cities, states and this nation away from these bureaucrats before they completely destroy our Republic.

Guardians of the Constitution PAAC

Tenth Amendment

"The Powers Not Delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, OR TO THE PEOPLE."

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:44AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Rod  
**Subject:** General Counsel- Redistricting.

Hello,

Please do NOT appoint Mr. James Lancaster to a position with the Redistricting Commission.

From what I read he overtly biased and is a partisan extremist. His appointment would destroy any respect for a commission which was created with the opposite intention.

Respectfully,

*Rod Charles*

Oxford, Michigan.

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:37AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** mrstoy1960

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Ann Garrison

  
Madison Heights, MI  
48071

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:36AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Maria Lisowsky

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,  
Maria Lisowsky

[REDACTED]  
Troy, MI 48085

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:33AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kenneth Roesler  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

[Name] Nancy Roesler

[Address] [REDACTED]  
Brighton MI 48114

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:24AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** G Pietila  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration!!!

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We beg and urge you to take this responsibility seriously and do it right!

Thank you,  
Gretchen Pietila

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:21AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Levi B Pesci  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Levi B Pesci

██████████ Lake Orion MI 48362

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:11AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Katie Seppanen  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,  
Katie Seppanen  
[REDACTED]  
Howell, MI 48855

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 10:02AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** alena `sturos' Anderson  
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Alena Anderson  
[REDACTED]  
Howell MI 48843

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]

[Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 9:55AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Scott Panning  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity.

Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in an independent/bipartisan manner.

Scott Panning

[REDACTED]

Hartland, MI 48353

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 9:49AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Evelyn Archer  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I strongly encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Archer

  
Oxford, MI. 48371

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 9:33AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Joe Mazur  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,

[Name]

[Address]

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Thefarm  
**Subject:** Please From Consideration Reject Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,

[Name]  
[Address]

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
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Mary Lou Morris

  
Howell, Michigan 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 9:16AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Rick Poynter  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

IMr. Lancaster has during his career, acted as a very partisan attorney. Partizan politics in no way belongs in this important process. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

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Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity.

Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write. How unfair is that to the residents of our great state of Michigan!

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan, unbiased manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you wish to speak with me more, please feel free to call me at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,  
Rick & Marcia Poynter  
[REDACTED]  
Brighton Michigan 48116

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:58AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Glenn & Barb Wilkinson  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non partisan manner.

It is clear from the very concept of the redistricting plan it is to totally benefit Democrats in a complete partisan manner attempted to be instituted and in many areas voted into law nationwide.

Sincerely,

Glenn Wilkinson  
[REDACTED]  
Hartland Mi.48353

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:54AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Dan Heimler  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Dan Heimler

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:53AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** bbarlond1  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration of James Lancaster to serve as the General Counsel for the Redistricting Commission.

It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal 1 passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Bruce Barlund

[REDACTED]  
Dimondale, Mi.  
48821

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:44AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Jessica.ihc  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sharpe  
[REDACTED]  
Whitmore Lake, MI 48189

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:31AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Jasonconradhuntley

**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Jason C. Huntley

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:28AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Joe Farkas

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

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[Address]

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**Name** Brandon Gadbury

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:26AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name Nb**  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you,

Nancy Broadbridge

Birmingham, MI

**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:26AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** carol rembor  
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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Carol Rembor  
[REDACTED]  
Brighton, Mi 48114  
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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:25AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Janet Callus  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Janet Callus

[REDACTED]

South Lyon MI 48178

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:24AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** h.stevens1

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Howard Stevens  
[Address]

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:13AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Kay Johnson  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Todd Johnson  
[REDACTED]  
Howell Mi 48843

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:12AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Jacqueline Ann Swedorski  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

KayJohnson

  
Howell Mi 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 8:02AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Sharon Stevens  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]Sharon D Stevens

[Address] [REDACTED]  
South Lyon Mi 48178

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 7:54AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Henry Filipowski

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

[Name] Henry Filipowski

[Address] [REDACTED] Hartland MI 48353

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 7:23AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** craig sable

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

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Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more unbiased manner.

Sincerely,

Craig Sable

[REDACTED]

Howell MI

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 7:10AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Sylvia Wisniewski

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name] Sylvia MacNicol  
[Address]

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 7:00AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Charley Barnum  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Charles S Barnum, Jr  
[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48114

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:51AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Ben Hill  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ben Hill

[REDACTED]  
Beverly Hills, MI. 48025

Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:49AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Robyn Peake  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Robyn Peake

[REDACTED]  
Paw Paw, Mi.  
49079

Best to you!! Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:31AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** David-Vicki Aeschliman

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Vicki Aeschliman



Whitmore Lake, MI 48189

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:09AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Susan Sevakis  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Susan Sevakis  
[REDACTED]  
South Lyon, MI 48178

Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:08AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Don Cortez – First Impression Print and Marketing – [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Don Cortez

[REDACTED]  
Fowlerville MI 48836

[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 3:30AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Christopher Turner  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Christopher G Turner

  
Brighton, MI 48114

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 1:10AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Judy Holder  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Judy Holder

  
Brighton, MI. 48114

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:32AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Tami Carlone  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

-Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a way the commission was intended - completely non-partisan. If he is going to be on the commission, then my serving should not have been disallowed.

Sincerely,

Tamara D. Swinson-Carlone, CPA  
Novi, MI



Sent from Mail for Windows 10

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:29AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Dcbernier  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Diane Bernier  
[REDACTED]  
Clarkston, MI. 48346

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 12:14AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Jim Hamade  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Jim Hamade

[REDACTED]  
South Lyon, MI 48178

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 11:50PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Brenda Shelton  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]Brenda Shelton  
[Address]

[REDACTED]  
Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 11:45PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Carol Lessure

**Subject:** In support of Jim Lancaster

To the Redistricting Commission:

I am so proud that this commission exists and is selecting its first slate of commissioners. I know the vetting process for selecting was well thought out and offering public comment is part of that process.

I was a volunteer with Voters Not Politicians for two years (2017 - 2018) and was attracted to the effort because it was focused on creating a transparent and nonpartisan process for redistricting in Michigan. I had the pleasure of working directly with Jim Lancaster on several occasions and can attest to the fact that he embodies these principles of being fair, transparent, and working with people from across the political spectrum.

He and other key people on our legal and strategy team would often remind us volunteers that we should appeal to all types of voters - that the redistricting commission was designed to bring everyone into the process.

I am sure that Jim will make a hardworking, insightful, and dedicated commissioner.

Carol A. Lessure  
Volunteer for Voters Not Politicians  
Michigan resident and voter

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 11:17PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Thomas Meyer

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely, o meyer [REDACTED] west bloomfield mi 48323

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 11:17PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Albert Herzog  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely, [Name] [Address]

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Be well,

Bert Herzog  


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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 10:53PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** David Russell  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

David Russell  
Hartland, Mi

Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail on Android

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 10:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Polly Kingsley  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Polly Kingsley  
[REDACTED]  
Milford, Michigan  
48381

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 10:32PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Laura Soma  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Laura Knight

[REDACTED]  
Fowlerville, MI 48836

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 10:07PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Douglas Helzerman  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I have followed the intent of the ballot proposal. Its stated purpose was to be run by citizens not politicians. The people you choose for key positions will either confirm or deny your commitment to that principle. If you have politicians in sheep's clothes you will lose all credibility. A dictator cares little of popular support only that he/she has power. Live up to your motto.

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Sincerely,  
Douglas Helzerman  
[REDACTED]  
Fowlerville Michigan 48836

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 10:02PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Brenda  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity.

Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Brenda Plank  
  
Brighton MI. 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:56PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** joievawter  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is extremely biased in on political direction-Very Liberal.

We need someone who is balanced politically. Mr. Lancaster is not that person.

Sincerely,  
Joie Vawter  
Walled Lake, MI

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:49PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

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Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Christy Englert

[REDACTED]  
South Lyon MI

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:48PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** ERic Gerwin  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration - Mr. James Lancaster

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster. It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clerk that he strongly favors democrat candidates and liberal activist organizations.

Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermined the Commission's integrity. Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner. Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely,

Eric Gerwin  
(Voter in every Michigan Election since 2002)

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:44PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Ron Hocking  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity.

Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ronald Hocking  
[REDACTED]  
Howell, MI 48843

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:28PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** MacOwner  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration of the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster, for the General Counsel position.

I have researched and learned Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

Mr. Lancaster's political contributions have strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity.

Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I implore the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner as originally intended by the voter's wish.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Marcia Jobe

  
Milford, MI 48381

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:26PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** CINDY HALL  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Hall  
Brighton, MI  
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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:25PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Karen Milton  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]

[Address]

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:18PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Gary  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

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Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Gary Schoeff

  
South Lyon, MI. 48178

**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:17PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Yvonne.hhshrub  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Yvonne Black]

[REDACTED]

Howell, MI 48843]

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:09PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** F Goetz  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster. It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity. Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write. I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner. Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely,

Frederick J. Goetz  
[REDACTED]  
Pinckney, MI 48169

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:04PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Pattons05  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Dennis Patton  
[REDACTED]  
South Lyon, MI 48178

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:01PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Mark Bumann  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark Edward Bumann



Brighton, MI 48116

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:00PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Brian Winters  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Brian Winters

[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:55PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Sandi Bockelman  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Sandra Bockelman  
[REDACTED]  
Highland, MI 48357

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:54PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Lorrie :)

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Lorrie Weaver



Hartland MI 48353

Keep smiling

--Lorrie :)

Jer 29:11

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:53PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Raymond Koczynski

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster. It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity. Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write. I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner. Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely,

Ray Koczynski

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:36PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Gary Marshall

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Gary Marshall  
[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:27PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Peter Stupar  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners, I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster. It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity. Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write. I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner. Thank you for your time and consideration.  
Sincerely, [Name] [Address]Patty Stupar

[REDACTED]  
Fowlerville

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:26PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Susan Valenti

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Susan Valenti

[REDACTED]

Brighton, Michigan 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:14PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Tina Thalacker

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Tina Thalacker]

[REDACTED] Brighton MI 48116]

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:12PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Brenda Angus  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners, I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster. It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a

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Sincerely, Brenda Angus [REDACTED], Ironwood Mi

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:10PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Patty Stupar  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely, [Name] [Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:06PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Linda Cirenza  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, As a resident of Michigan I believe our voices were clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan

manner away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through his political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that the the members are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity. Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a conflict of interest where the individual who drafted the proposal would have to give neutral legal advice on the proposal he helped write. I ask that you consider the problems this may pose and I encourage the Commission to consider selecting someone other than Mr. Lancaster who can serve in a more non-partisan manner.

I would like to thank you for your time in reading this email, and I hope you will consider my thoughts.

Sincerely,

Linda A Cirenza

Brighton, MI 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:03PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Jean Weaver  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jean Weaver

  
Grand Rapids, MI 49525

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 8:01PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Amy Maida  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,  
Amy Maida

  
Howell, MI 48843

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Amy Maida, M.Ed  
Learning Specialist, Dyslexia Expert  
[www.LearningSuccess.net](http://www.LearningSuccess.net)

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:49PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Marie-Ann Bien  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Marie BienName]  
[Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:42PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Jay R Taylor  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jay Taylor



Oxford, MI 48371

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:42PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Dezutter  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** MICHAEL  
**Subject:** Bad Choice

DO NOT appoint Mr Lancaster.  
He is a partisan political hack for the liberal Democrats.

BAD CHOICE that we strongly oppose.

Michigan resident,

Michael Szuba

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:35PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Lorri Brown  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]

[Address]

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:30PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Chuck  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Chuck Wright

  
Fowlerville MI 48836

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:26PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Pat Mirek  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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PATRICIA WERDERITSCH

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:25PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Barbara Allen  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Barb allen

[REDACTED]

Brighton  
48116

Sent from my iPhone

**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:24PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Loretta  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Loretta Van Huis  
[REDACTED]  
Hartland

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:23PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Phyllis Risdon  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Phyllis L. Risdon

  
Dexter, MI 48130

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:23PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Todd Coy  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Todd Coy

  
Howell Mi. 48855

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:22PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Casey75el  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Casey Lessway

[REDACTED]

New Hudson Mi 48165]

[Address]

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:21PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** John Bukowski

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Bukowski

[REDACTED]

Whitmore Lake MI 48189

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:03PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** [REDACTED]

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Steve Remenar  
[REDACTED], MI 48843

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE device

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:55PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Seguin, Ed  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,  
Ed Seguin  
[REDACTED]  
Hartland Mi 48353

**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:52PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** sandra helzerman

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration. I don't believe he is at all independent.

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Sincerely, [Name] [Address]

**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:51PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name** Londa Gatt

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,  
Londa Gatt  
[REDACTED]  
Howell, Mi. 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:49PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Anna Pennala  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Anna Pennala  
[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48814

Sent from my Verizon 4G LTE Droid

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:49PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** KATHY WHITE  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners, I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster. It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters. Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity. Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write. I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Kathleen M. White  
[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:45PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Bob Goetz Sr.  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I feel the hiring of James Lancaster presents a high level conflict of interest.

I am writing to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commission members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

It is widely known that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. Under Proposal I passed in 2018, the residents of Michigan made their voices clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan manner away from partisan politics. There is no doubt that Mr. Lancaster cannot provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Robert Goetz

[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:40PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** P Mac  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Patrick Macaluso

[REDACTED], Howell MI 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:40PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** CATHY FISCHER  
**Subject:** Please Do Not select Mr. Lancaster for General Counsel

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to request that the General Counsel position not go the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

It appears unlikely that Mr. Lancaster can provide unbiased recommendations regarding the Commission's legal matters, as he is a vocal and on record as a strong supporter of one party over the others.

Looking through Mr. Lancaster's political contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democratic candidates and liberal activist organizations. Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has a mission that is based around the fundamental belief that they are to act as a non-partisan entity. Having the Commission's General Counsel be a clear partisan individual will undermine the Commission's integrity.

Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Cathy Fischer  
[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48116  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:38PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Maria Letcher  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Maria Letcher



Ferndale. 48220

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:37PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name** Mary Dressel Morris  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary Dressel-Morris  
  
Haslett, MI 48840

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:36PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Patty N Greg O'Neill  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name] Gregory O'Neill  
[Address] [REDACTED] Webberville 48892  
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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:31PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Secrest John  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

John secrest

[Name]

[Address] [REDACTED] brighton, mi 48116

Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail on Android

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:30PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Nijakowski, Gerald  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Gerald Nijakowski  
[REDACTED] Brighton Mi

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:30PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jim Thornton  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name] James Thornton  
[Address] [REDACTED]  
Howell Mich 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:29PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Denise Thornton  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]Denise Thornton

[Address] [REDACTED]  
Howell, MI. 48843

Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:24PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** kynylund  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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I encourage & urge the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Kylee Nylund  
  
Brighton, MI 48114

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:23PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Anngusmomy  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely, Ann Rauwerdink, West Bloomfield

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:22PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Vivian Nylund  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,  
Vivian Nylund  
[REDACTED]  
Brighton, MI 48114  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:22PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Michael Brown International Flooring Solutions  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Michael Brown

  
South Lyon MI, 48178

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:19PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** David V Acs  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,

David Acs

[REDACTED]

Fenton, MI. 48430

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:18PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Linda M. Holland  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commissioner members deny any further consideration for the General Counsel position of the current candidate under consideration, James Lancaster.

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Linda Holland  
[REDACTED]  
Howell, MI 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:17PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Robert Bruglio  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Rita and Robert Bruglio  
[REDACTED]  
Howell, Michigan 48855

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:16PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Ronald Given  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:12PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Coach Jill Haas  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jill Haas

[REDACTED]  
Howell MI 48843  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:10PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Robin Stapleton  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Robin Groeller

[REDACTED]

Brighton, MI 48116

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:10PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Sam

**Subject:** Please disqualify Mr. James Lancaster from consideration in any capacity

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to you to voice my opposition to the nomination, consideration or appointment of James Lancaster as the Commission's General Counsel.

The intent of the Voters Not Politicians ballot proposal made it crystal clear that its intent was to divorce politics from the redistricting process. To further this goal, it has strict prohibitions on its members political activity. I cannot imagine that it would be consistent with the non-partisan objectives of this newly enacted provision of our State Constitution to hire a manifestly partisan person as your GC. In the first section of the amendment alone, there are no less than nine separately listed prohibitions to political actors. These prohibitions extend not just to applicants to the commission, but to their family members as well.

Mr. Lancaster is clearly not apolitical. A quick search of his federal political contribution history reveals dozens of political contributions, for thousands of dollars, exclusively to Democrat/Liberal candidates and causes. A search of the State's political contribution database would no doubt reveal the same thing. With Mr. Lancaster's obvious political leanings it is doubtful that he could provide unbiased advice to the Commission. Bias is a weakness that pervades the entirety of the human race. Even in the

event that Mr. Lancaster had somehow accomplished the super-human feat of shedding himself of that bias, he would taint every aspect of the Commission's work with doubt and suspicion. Worse yet, he was also one of the attorneys for the organization that drafted and promoted the ballot proposal. With that conflict of interest it would be nearly impossible for anyone to provide the Commission with impartial legal advice on the same. As an attorney myself, I would disqualify myself from consideration, given the same circumstances

I ask you, with all sincerity, to honor your responsibilities as Commissioners and disqualify Mr. Lancaster, or any other partisan, from consideration in any capacity with the Commission. Please seek out and hire a competent, non-partisan individual for this role so that the stain of illegitimacy does not tarnish the Commissions motives, reputation and work.

Sincerely,

Sam

Tax and Business Advisors

[REDACTED] Brighton, MI 48116  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:10PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Stephen J. Holden  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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Mr. Lancaster also has a clear conflict of interest as he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018. This creates a situation where the individual who drafted the language would now have to give neutral legal advice on the language he helped write.

I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan and natural manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Steve Holden

[REDACTED]

Brighton, MI. 48114

Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:09PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Carolyn Kirin  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Kirin

  
Waterford MI 48329

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:05PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Chuck Cullen  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Chuck Cullen

  
Brighton, MI 48116

**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 6:02PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** peggy arntzen  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Definitely watching EXACTLY what you are doing....

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:59PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Douglas Heins  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Doug Heins  
[REDACTED]  
Howell MI 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:58PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Arlene Pearson  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,  
Arlene Pearson  
[REDACTED]  
Commerce Twp, MI 48382

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:58PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kevin D  
**Subject:** I Say No to Mr. Lancaster

Dear Commissioners,

I am requesting that the members deny any consideration for the General Counsel position of James Lancaster.

Through my own research with the help of the Michigan Campaign Finance Contribution site, that Mr. Lancaster is not a non-partisan individual. He is clearly favors democrat candidates and is liberal in his politics. I do not believe he can give an unbiased opinion. This will undermine the integrity of this council.

Please select a different individual that can serve in a neutral manner.

Thank you for your time

Sincerely,

Kevin DeWaal

  
Howell, Mi. 48855

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:55PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jim Robinson  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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James Robinson

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:52PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Sarah GATZA  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Sarah Gatzka ]  
[REDACTED]  
Milford, 48380]

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:52PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Denise Foreit  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Denise R. Foreit

[REDACTED]

Brighton, MI 48114

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:51PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Fernando Campos

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

F Campos

[REDACTED]  
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:47PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Shirley patrick  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:45PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Matt Labelle  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,

Matthew LaBelle

  
Howell

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:44PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Lauren Coleman  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:44PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jann Felske  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Jann Felske

  
Brighton, MI

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Edgar H. Bankard III  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Edgar H. Bankard III

Southfield, MI 48076

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:42PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kevin Gerkin  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Kevin Gerkin

[REDACTED]

Howell MI 48843

Associate Broker

[REDACTED]

"Selling Livingston County Since 1982"

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:40PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Eileen burns

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Eileen Burns

[REDACTED]

Brighton MI 48114

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Dana Kinch  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,  
Dana Kinch  
  
Fenton MI 48430

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** William J. Rauwerdink  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster as Legal Counsel

Dear Redistricting Commissioners:

Today I am writing to you to request that the Michigan Redistricting Commission deny any further consideration for the position of General Counsel be given to James Lancaster.

Readily available public records indicate that Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney. The whole point of the Commission was to be independent!

Under Proposal I (passed in 2018) the residents of Michigan made their voice heard. That vote was clear that redistricting was to be done in a non-partisan matter and away from partisan politics.

There is significant doubt that Mr. Lancaster can provide unbiased recommendations to the Commission on legal matters.

A simple review of Mr. Lancaster's political and other contributions, it is clear that he strongly favors Democrat candidates and liberal activist organizations.

Again, the Independent Redistricting Commission has as a core mission to act as a non-partisan entity. If the Commission's General Counsel it seen by all to be a clear partisan, that alone will undermine the Commission's integrity.

Mr. Lancaster also has a clear and well known conflict of interest. As you likely know, he served as one of the main legal attorneys for the political organization that drafted and supported Proposal I's passage in 2018.

This creates at least the appearance of a lack of independence where the individual who drafted the proposal language would now--somehow---be expected to offer neutral legal advice concerning the language he helped write in the first place!

Many competent and truly independent lawyers exist. I strongly encourage the Commission to get off on the "right foot" and select an individual who will serve in a truly non-partisan and independent manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

William J. Rauwerdink  
West Bloomfield

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Sincerely,  
Dana Kinch  
  
Fenton MI 48430

Sent from my iPhone

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Dwarner5454  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely, [Name] [Address]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:36PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Elizabeth Hundley

**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Hundley

Howell, MI 48843

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**Name:** Karen B

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Sincerely,  
Mrs. Karen Bukowski  
  
Whitmore Lake MI 48189

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**Name:** kathleen mariani  
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**Name:** larry schmittou  
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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Marian Sheridan  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Marian Sheridan

[REDACTED], West Bloomfield Mi

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:24PM  
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**Name:** James C. Capehart  
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Sincerely,

James C Capehart  
[REDACTED]  
Gregory, MI 48137  
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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:20PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** James s Kozik  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Jennifer Kozik

  
Bloomfield Hills, MI. 48304

Sent from Jennifer Kozik's iPhone.

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:19PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** annemarie pietila  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Steve and Annemarie Pietila

[REDACTED]  
Howell MI 48843

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:18PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Bonnie Field  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,  
Bonnie field

[REDACTED]

Brighton, MI 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:16PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Ed Zurawski  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Linda D'Antonio  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Joan Humphrey  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

[NameJoan Humphrey]

[REDACTED] Howell, MI]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:12PM  
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**Name:** Michael Goro  
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Mike Goro

[REDACTED]  
Howell MI. 48843

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Michael Goro

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:11PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kimberly ROCHELEAU  
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Sincerely,

Mrs. Kimberly Rocheleau

[REDACTED]  
Hartland, MI 48353  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:06PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Dogzrule1627  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Thank you,

Debbie Baird

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Sincerely,

Tom Rosenbergh



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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 5:02PM  
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**Name:** Isecord  
**Subject:** Please Reject From Consideration Mr. Lancaster

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Sincerely,

Kind regards,  
ivan Secord

  
South Lyon, MI 48178

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Sincerely,  
Nora Land  
Greg Irish  
  
Okemos, Mi 48864

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kevin Van Kannel  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Further Consideration

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Sincerely,

Michael O'Neill

[REDACTED]  
Howell, MI 48843-6410

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**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Candius Stearns  
**Subject:** Please REJECT Mr. Lancaster From Consideration

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**Name:** Kathy Jacksey  
**Subject:** Please Reject Mr. Lancaster From Consideration

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I encourage the Commission to select a different individual who can serve in a more non-partisan way.

Kathy & Bernard Jacksey

[REDACTED]  
Howell, MI48843

[REDACTED]

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kurt Gallinger  
  
Brighton, MI 48114

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**Name:** Julie Conley  
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Sincerely,

Julie Conley

[REDACTED]

Williamston MI 48895

Please excuse any misspelled words. This is being sent via dictation.

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 4:52PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Dan Gennaro  
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Sincerely,

Dan Gennaro

  
Brighton MI 48116

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**Date of Submission:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 2:42PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** William Long  
**Subject:** Letter from William Long 12.08.20

Please see the attached letter. Please confirm you have received it.

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WILLIAM E. LONG  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
MSW

LANSING, MI 48917

December 8, 2020

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

Re: Selection process for Communications and Community Outreach position

Members:

While I have not yet accessed the agenda for your December 10, 2020 meeting, I note that the meeting notice lists the six individuals you have identified to interview for the Communications and Community Outreach position. I have observed the November 20 meeting of the Advisory Committee Reviewing Community and Outreach Director Candidates and the December 4 full Commission meeting when the selection of applicants was discussed.

Based on the Advisory Committee and full Commission discussions, and my personal knowledge of Walt Sorg, I urge you to consider two things:

- 1) add Walt Sorg to those you will interview for this position;
- 2) include your future Executive Director, Suann Courtright Hammersmith, as an observer during the interview process and a participant in the discussion re: selection of the candidates for the position.

From my observations of the discussions among Commission members, and from comments the Commission has received on the pending decision for selection of Independent Council, it is obvious that Commission members are struggling to balance the concerns of those who want to assure the public that staff is either non-partisan or balanced, but also choose the best qualified to do the job.

I think it will always be difficult to assure some of the public that your staff is truly nonpartisan. I have been a resident in the Lansing area since 1971 and recall canvassing for a candidate for the "non-partisan" Lansing City Council in the mid-70's. He happened to be an employee of the House Republican Caucus at the time and when I approached a resident who was a member of the UAW who asked me what party the candidate belonged to I responded it was a non-partisan position. His comment was "B.S." there is no such thing as non-partisan.

I recognize that you want the citizens to perceive you as carrying out your responsibilities as objectively as possible, but I expect there will always be those who believe partisanship entered into your decision making. Unfortunately it just goes with the territory and the highly political but critically important task you have ahead.

With respect to the Communications and Community Outreach position it appears a number of commissioners recognize that Walt Sorg is highly qualified based upon experience and background. I believe so too. I became acquainted with Walt when I

worked for Governor Milliken as the Governor's legislative liaison during the 1975- 1981 period and Walt worked for the then Democratic House members. That was a time when under Bobby Crim's leadership in the House and Bill Faust's leadership in the Senate, along with Governor Milliken, the great majority of the time, policy trumped politics. I later was appointed by Governor Blanchard to the Civil Service Commission and Public Service Commission.

I did not work with Walt that closely then, but got to know him better when Walt and I, along with several other representatives of interest groups, participated in a work group hosted by the League of Women Voters to explore the possibility of a constitutional amendment to address Gerrymandering. That group never got it going to the point of developing something for the ballot but it was the precursor to Voters not Politicians. I found Walt to be objective, knowledgeable about public relations and communication, and passionate about the issue.

I was not engaged with Voters not Politicians but I know Walt was, I know he is very knowledgeable about the passion or skepticism some of our citizens hold for or against a Commission like this. But I also believe he has the knowledge and tactfulness to represent the Commission and advise the Commission on communications with the public as you carry out your responsibilities.

That is why I urge you to add Walt to those you will interview for the position.

As for the second recommendation, - that of having the Executive Director sit in on the interviews - I think it would be helpful to get her perspective of the candidates, and for members of the Commission to assess her views when making your decision. I believe these two positions ( unlike the Independent Council) will have to work closely together to assure the message and relationship between the Commission and the media, the public and among the Commissioners is clear and consistent. In short, the Director and the person in this position must be able to work well together.

Thanks for considering my views.

  
William Long,

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**Date of Submission:** Monday, December 7, 2020 4:41PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Brenda S.  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Dear Redistricting Committee Members:

Today I am requesting on behalf of the residents of Oakland County and more specifically the Election Integrity Fund that you use the criteria which was required for applicants to the Michigan Redistricting Committee to be appointed: completely unaffiliated with a political committee by election of self or any family member, including but not limited to precinct delegate elections.

It is in the interest of judicious and transparent actions taken by this committee that legal advisement not be linked to a political committee or interest.

The Election Integrity Fund is a 501(c)4 organization which is both non-profit and non-partisan. Please consider this a formal request. If further discussion is desired please do not hesitate to contact me. It is my hope to receive a response to this request. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Brenda Savage  
V.P. Communication  
Election Integrity Fund  
[REDACTED]  
[electionintegrityfund.org](http://electionintegrityfund.org)

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**Date of Submission:** Monday, December 7, 2020 12:40PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Walter L Sorg Jr

**Subject:** For the Commission: Communications and Community Outreach Director

To members of the Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission:

I listened with obvious great interest to your discussion regarding my application for the position of Communications and Community Outreach Director. While I certainly respect your concerns about politicization of the Commission, please let me respond with a different perspective.

My lifelong passion has been in public policy, especially at the state and local level. It's the way my father raised me. He was a lifelong volunteer in the political process who, later in his life, became an adviser to Presidents Nixon and Reagan (his focus was small business development, particularly among minority entrepreneurs). My first political campaign was as a pre-teen volunteer at the campaign for Illinois U.S. Senate candidate Charles Percy, a Republican. Sen. Percy became a close friend of my family to the point of delivering the eulogy as my father's funeral.

As a young radio reporter while in college I covered Michigan state government on a daily basis, creating a lifelong fascination with the workings of government and how it could work for the betterment of our society. It was the beginning of my political education where I was privileged to learn from some of the finest public servants imaginable.

They taught me that an effective way to have a positive impact on public policy is through our political system: the vast majority of decisions that impact all of our lives are made by political bodies. But, as each of you demonstrate, an individual can also have an impact in other ways. Throughout my life I have traveled both paths.

As an individual, I definitely gratitate to the Democratic Party but have consistently supported candidates in both parties. In the last year my small campaign contributions went to my own state

representative and representative in Congress (both Democrats), the newly elected prosecuting attorney of Clinton County (Republican) and the Mayor of Lansing (non-partisan). Three of the four are also personal friends.

My service in state government was split between partisan and non-partisan positions. I was communications director for the state House and Speaker of the House (partisan); my non-partisan work as Public Affairs Director of the state Commerce Department was focused on economic development; the State Bar of Michigan, where I was Assistant Executive Director for Media, is a strictly non-partisan organization.

Most of my time over the last few years has focused non-partisan public service and issues:

- \* Past president, current treasurer and board member of a local environmental action organization
- \* Assisting in fundraising for Care Free Medical Center (a non-profit medical services clinic)
- \* Serving on the city of Lansing's Public Service Board
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- \* Unpaid adviser to several nascent ballot-proposal committees
- \* Most significantly in my life, helping create and pass the proposal that created your Commission

I am passionate about the issue of ending partisan gerrymandering. My work on the issue began in 2013. I reached out to countless Democrats, Republicans, non-profit organizations and foundations in an effort to accomplish what my friends in the Capitol told me was impossible. When I was asked to be a part of the founding board of Voters Not Politicians I was ready to take the plunge despite the overwhelming odds against us. We built a successful, non-partisan organization from the grassroots up and succeeded despite the odds.

Working "across the aisle" is nothing new for me politically. Although I'm identified with Democrats, some of my closest professional friends are prominent Republicans. My mentor when I was named House Democratic Communications Director was, in fact, my counterpart on the Republican staff; I maintain an amicable relationship with many prominent Republicans, even including Robert LaBrant who was one of the leaders opposing Proposal 2.

I want nothing more in my professional life than to conclude my career by helping you succeed to the greatest extent possible, which means fulfilling the dream of Voters Not Politicians by enacting maps that are both fair and capable of withstanding the lawsuits which will inevitably be filed challenging whatever you approve.

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No matter what you do you will be criticized loudly, both as a group and possibly individually. It will happen because there are powerful interests whose futures depend on the decisions you make. My life of working with the media, and the professional relationships of trust I've built with reporters, can help you deal with those who will be covering you.

If you will grant me the privilege of meeting with you (sadly, on Zoom rather than in person) we can discuss your concerns and let you judge for yourself whether my in-depth, hands-on knowledge of our political system is an asset or liability.

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Respectfully,

Walter Sorg

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**Date of Submission:** Monday, December 7, 2020 11:47AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Dorene Weisberg  
**Subject:** The appointment of General Counsel

Dear Commission Members,

I'm sure you know the role of General Counsel is a most important one and vital to the integrity of the redistricting project. Since the passage of "Voters not Politicians" in 2018 the goal was to reduce the chances of redistricting based on party politics. I know for a fact that the good people who worked hard on successfully seeing this passed never intended for a partisan to fill the position of General Counsel.

James Lancaster is a partisan whose political contributions clearly indicate his identification with leftist/progressive policies. By now, I assume you have received information from other Michigan citizens detailing his donation history. If that is not the case, please let me know and I will send you a copy.

I urge you to choose a truly non-partisan candidate for this important position. Researching the candidates contributions is one way to determine whether the person for the job is truly non-partisan.

Respectfully,

Dorene Weisberg  
West Bloomfield, MI



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**Date of Submission:** Monday, December 7, 2020 11:20AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Info  
**Subject:** Leadership of Redistricting Policy

I'd like to voice my concern over the possible choice of Mr. Lancaster for leadership in the important Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission redistricting effort. While I fully recognize and understand the need to affect this redistricting effort, we all, Democrats, Republicans and Independents, would hope that the General Counsel of this effort would be a truly non-partisan choice. Mr. Lancaster's past support of and donation to Democrat causes make his appointment to this position inappropriate in my opinion. There are public servants whose records show the ability to judge and work independently. I trust such a person will be chosen for this important position.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Gerald Jacoby, Clarklake

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**Date of Submission:** Monday, December 7, 2020 10:51AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Susan E Phillips  
**Subject:** From Susan Phillips regarding James Lancaster

Good morning,

I am urging you not to hire James Lancaster as General Counsel. Mr. Lancaster is very much a Leftist candidate and would not be an appropriate candidate.

Thank you,

Susan E. Phillips  
Cottage & Castle LLC  
Certified Aging-In-Place Specialist (CAPS) Interior, Kitchen, and Bath Designer.  
[REDACTED]  
Clawson, Michigan 48017  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Monday, December 7, 2020 6:59AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Pam.haddix1  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Citizen Redistricting Commission,

I am contacting the Citizen Redistricting Commission as I understand options are being considered for the General Counsel position. I do not support and am opposed to James Lancaster as an option in this position as he has demonstrated past left partisan politics.

The Citizen Redistricting Commission was designed to function independently of partisan political interests. I am asking the Commission to honor that stipulation.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and cooperation in this request.

Pam Haddix

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**Date of Submission:** Monday, December 7, 2020 5:51AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Charles Schott  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

It has come to my attention that you are considering having Mr. James Lancaster as a General Counsel for the MI Redistricting Comm. I strongly urge you to observe the impartial standards needed for filling this position. Public scrutiny and transparency demand that you consider all relevant information like

Mr. Lancaster's significant and continued interactions with and for the Democrat party: he is no Independent! The critical importance you possess in your appointments DEMAND that you remove him from consideration and place another truly impartial candidate for this position. The Michigan voters demand it.

Charles Schott

[REDACTED]

White Lake, MI 48386

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**Date of Submission:** Monday, December 7, 2020 3:47AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Mark M  
**Subject:** James Lancaster not suited for General Counsel

Members of the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission,

James Lancaster's history of involvement in politics tied to the Democratic party, in particular his financial contributions which are a matter of public record, makes him an unacceptable choice for General Counsel.

Thank You,

Mark P. Mathias

[REDACTED]

Jackson, MI 49203

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 10:04PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Robert  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Good Day,

I have been trying to watch the progress with the redistricting.

The Citizens Redistricting Commission was to be independent of partisan political interests.

Mr. Lancaster's partisan history favoring Democrats is frequent and would strip the "independence" from the group and mire it in left partisan politics.

The commission must reject Mr. Lancaster's appointment as general counsel to be a non-partisan ethical commission.

I am watching and expect you to select a different, genuinely non-partisan candidate.

Robert Oestreich

[REDACTED]  
Farmington Hills, MI 48335  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 7:06PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jodie Watson  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Please reject Mr Lancaster as an appointed general counsel candidate, and choose a truly non-partisan candidate. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jodie L. Watson

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 6:14PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Adam Kroczaleski  
**Subject:** Selection of General Counsel

Though the stated goals of Voters Not Politicians appeared well intentioned in regards to creating an independent redistricting commission, there was much controversy concerning the fact that nearly all of that organization's leadership had ties to left-wing or democrat politics. It was surmised that this proposal was nothing but a trojan horse designed to seize the political power that democrats were unable to attain by winning enough elections in the legislature. If this commission has any intent to truly creating a fair and independent redistricting process, I urge you to oppose Mr. James Lancaster for general counsel. Mr. Lancaster may be a very fine attorney, but his many political contributions to democrat candidates and causes raises too many red flags that this commission is indeed a partisan trojan horse and not the fair and independent process that voters were sold on. His selection would jeopardize the legitimacy and fairness of this new experiment in redistricting. I urge you to select another, truly independent candidate for general counsel.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Adam Kroczaleski

Arenac County Commissioner

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 12:40PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jamie Martisius  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Please be fair to ALL Michigan citizens and only vote for a truly independent counsel. This past 2020 election was full of irregularities, to say the least, and most likely, outright election fraud. We don't need more partisan people to head a redistricting counsel. Thank you for hearing my concerns. Sincerely,  
Jamie Martisius

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 11:14AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Robert Hildinger  
**Subject:** James Lancaster – Finalists for the General Counsel position

Sir:

I hear that there is a left wing political hack by the name of James Lancaster who is one of the two finalists for the General Counsel position. I am not amused by his record of supporting left wing causes and would be even less amused if he were to be put in this position.

The left is why we are currently in this dilemma in our country. The youth are learning that is OK to cheat. Where is this going to take us as a nation?

We do not want a hard left socialist involved with redistricting.

Sincerely,

Robert Hildinger  
Troy, MI  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 11:07AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Donnie  
**Subject:** Oppose James Lancaster Appointment

How can you even consider this man for this position? The Citizens of this state who sought to establish an independent redistricting commission meant it to be independent not another tool of the Demoncrat party to push their communist agenda. This man's ties to the Demon's is too strong and his appointment

should be rejected. When are you people going to start doing what the people are asking instead of treating us like we do not know what is best for us? I have no doubt there are better candidates available which would be far more acceptable than this man. Do your job and stop trying to snooker us. We have been lied to and cheated enough by these corrupt people.

Donnie Boursaw

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 10:56AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Sherman Rogers  
**Subject:** Mr Lancaster

I do not want some person that funds the left , especially as much as Mr Lancaster does to be appointed for general counsel!

Sincerely

Sherman Rogers  


President

CleanCanMan.com  
TheGarbageman.com

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 10:18AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** foxov91  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Hell no to Mr. Lancaster. You're supposed to be putting a non partisan person in this position. DO SO.

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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**Date of Submission:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 9:20AM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Scott Derkacz  
**Subject:** Urgent

How are you thinking of hiring Lancaster? You see where the contributions go? Did you have him disclose this? I thought this was a non partisan hire ?  
Scott  
Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 10:20PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Eileen Weiser  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

As a former statewide elected official (State Board of Education, 1999-2007, 2011-2019) I ask that you not select James Lancaster to be General Counsel. The position calls for impeccably neutral credentials including not having a strong affiliation with a major political party that's part of this process. Mr. Lancaster has a strong partisan relationship that disqualifies his being selected for this position. Voters approved the redistricting commission to remove partisan politics from the process. Please respect their wish, and select someone who's known for being nonpartisan with a completely fair outlook on this issue.  
Thanks for your consideration,  
Eileen Weiser

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 3:22PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** James  
**Subject:** Reject James Lancaster for General Counsel for the Commission

James Lancaster is NOT independent as the new rules demand. He is a DEMOCRAT and will work in the interests of the Democrats.

It's bad enough to steal the Presidency. Work for the People. NOT the Democrat Party.

Jim Miraglia  
Flint Michigan

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 2:26PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Donald Donald  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Based on his background, he does not in any way meet the requirements as counsel for the independent redistricting commission.

Don Deibert

[REDACTED]  
Midland, MI 48640  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 2:18PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Richard Shutter  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Ladies and Gentlemen

Michigan Redistricting Commission

As a citizen of Michigan , I feel the appointment of Mr. Lancaster would not serve the objective ty of the Commission. I believe his association with the Democrat party

would destroy the objectivity of the Commission from being a neutral body in the redistricting of our Great State. His background precludes this Gentleman from being anything but

Impartial. We do have the time to find a qualified individual who would be impartial and who would serve with a sense of Justice that the Citizens of Michigan are crying out for.

We have had enough of identity politics which are rife with corruption. It is time for Honesty in redistricting, not the present Duplicity.

Thank you for your time and you efforts in the impartial redistricting of Our State.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Shutter

[REDACTED]  
Houghton Lake, Michigan 48629  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 2:12PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** William Gordon  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Commissioners

Please maintain your independent balanced status! Do not bring on partisan Democrat James Lancaster as uour general counsel. This is exactly why I opposed your formation. Your advisors will not be independent unless you demand it.

Thank you  
William Gordon

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 12:55PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Bill Kipf  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

We are watching. We are not in favor of James Lancaster for general counsel.

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Bill Kipf  
Coldwell Banker Haynes Real Estate  
[REDACTED]  
Monroe, Mi. 48161  
[REDACTED]

*"Whether you're buying or selling, I have your best interest at heart."*

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 12:54PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Bill Kipf  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

We are watching. Please do not put James Lancaster on the commission list

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Bill Kipf  
Coldwell Banker Haynes Real Estate  
[REDACTED]  
Monroe, Mi. 48161  
[REDACTED]

*"Whether you're buying or selling, I have your best interest at heart."*

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 12:38PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** The Snows  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I am writing this email to ask you to vote in a person for counsel for The Citizens Redistricting Committee who is bipartisan and doesn't have strong ties to one party as James Lancaster does. It is indicative that we have a person not biased in this capacity.

Respectfully,

Leisa Snow

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 11:25AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Anna Dean  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Please don't select Mr. Lancaster for General Counsel. His partisan ties are alarming, and Michigan residents who sought to establish an independent commission are appalled.

Thank you,  
Anna Dean  
[REDACTED]  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 11:19AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Robert M Spalding  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Approximately two years ago, the citizens of Michigan approved the formation of an "Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission" to eliminate the bickering and partisanship in redistricting every 10 years.

The commission was to be "independent" however I have now been informed the commission is considering James Lancaster as general counsel. Mr. Lancaster should not be considered for this position for his past involvement with the Democratic Party in Michigan.

Again the intent was to be independent and the retention of Mr. Lancaster would be far outside the scope and intent of the citizens approval of this commission. I strongly urge that Mr. Lancaster be removed from further consideration as general counsel.

Yours truly,  
Robert M. Spalding  
[REDACTED]  
Kentwood, MI 49512-9340

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 10:20AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** John  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

James Lancaster is a known Democrat operative. He would be one of the worst choices for General Counsel.

If this is supposed to be a fair and non-partisan commission, which is why the people voted it in, then reject James Lancaster for any level of participation.

John George  
[REDACTED]  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 10:15AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Steve Brown  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Dear members of Citizens Redistricting Commission,

It has come to my attention that the commission is considering the appointment of Mr. James Lancaster for the role of General Council for the Commission.

I find it concerning that after prospective Republican leaning candidates were opposed, the Commission is considering the appointment of Mr Lancaster to such a pivotal role with his known history of financial support for Democrats.

It seems important, especially during questionable 2020 election results, that the Commission not appoint Mr. Lancaster to this position, but find another truly independent candidate as General Council.

Respectfully,  
Stevan R. bronner

Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 10:11AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** R. George Dunn  
**Subject:** James Lancaster as one of the two finalists for their General Counsel

There is no way this person could give non-partisan legal advice. He would most certainly steer the commission toward whatever would benefit Democrats.  
He was also the lead attorney for "Voters Not Politicians", the group funded by millions of dollars from out of state left-wing donors that lead the effort to pass the proposal that established this Redistricting Commission.  
BTW, General Counsel is a key position -- this person could steer the commission with advice like, "by state law, you cannot do X" or "by state law, you must do Y".

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If everyone knew all there is to know, they would not do half the things they do, including myself, therefore I must forgive them, including myself.

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 9:50AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Sean Bertolino  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Please stay true to the mission of this Board in being an independent entity to ensure fairness for all Michigan citizens as they vote.

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 9:31AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Matthew Jabs  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

To the commission,

Mr. Lancaster is no independent. He has a long history of political contributions to Democrats and Democrat causes. These contributions are a matter of public record through the state's Bureau of Elections and the Federal Election Commission websites.

Mr. Lancaster's obvious political leanings would grossly undermine the objectivity and the mission of the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission.

It would also fly in the face of recent commission precedent.

When this group was choosing an executive director, a number of candidates for the job had mild ties to the Republican Party. The commissioners themselves ably pointed out important concerns over even the perception of partisanship in the Independent Commission's work and publicly opposed the hiring of individuals with ties to partisan politics.

Mr. Lancaster's partisan history favoring Democrats is far more explicit and frequent than the Republican candidates for another job previously criticized by the commission.

I strongly urge the commission to reject Mr. Lancaster's appointment as general counsel and to select a different, truly non-partisan candidate.

Thank you,

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Matthew Jabs

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Matt Jabs

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 8:02AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Merry channell  
**Subject:** James Lancaster

Please do not hire James Lancaster as he is solely based on his donations. This is very partisan and we need a nonpartisan person in this position. Thank you for your time.  
Merry Channell

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**Date of Submission:** Saturday, December 5, 2020 7:51AM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** DEAN BLANCHARD  
**Subject:** Redistricting General Counsel

Redistricting Commissioners,

I am writing to request that you not hire James Lancaster for the Redistricting General Counsel position. He is too partisan to perform the duties of this role in a manner that will serve all Michiganders equally and fairly.

Thank you,  
Dean Blanchard

**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 11:43PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** THERESA STEFFES  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Please oppose James Lancaster for General Counsel.

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 11:17PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Margaret C. Murphy  
**Subject:** Mr. James Lancaster

I am writing as a Michigan resident encouraging you to REJECT Mr. James Lancaster's appointment as general counsel.

Please select a different truly non-partisan candidate.

I will be looking for an INDEPENDENT redistricting commission.

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 9:40PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Jay Taylor  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Dear Redistricting leadership – I am writing to oppose the appointment of James Lancaster as General Counsel to the group.

Mr. Lancaster is a partisan attorney, clearly not the independent advocate the people of Michigan are expecting.

If you want even the appearance of impartiality and independence regarding this important Redistricting Commission, I suggest you appoint someone who is not known to be a Democrat liberal operative.

Thank you for your consideration. The people of Michigan are watching what you do.

Jay R. Taylor  
Chief Executive Officer



Oxford, MI 48371

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 8:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Richard Fessler  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 8:20PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Alan Umpstead  
**Subject:** Mr. Lancaster's appointment

Hi,

I want to voice my opposition to the appointment of Mr. James Lancaster as general counsel for the redistricting commission. Mr. Lancaster has a history of partisan activities and I believe he would tilt the commission in a direction away from independence, which would be a disservice to Michigan residents.

I urge you to appoint someone to general counsel that would enhance the commission's non-partisan nature as intended.

Thank you fir your time.

Alan Umpstead

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 8:13PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Kathy Strong  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I oppose James Lancaster for the General Counsel position.  
Elect another more impartial person!

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 8:00PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Vanessa Mulnix  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Given the recent multiple affidavits regarding irregularities and potential illegal activities associated with the 2020 election, I adamantly oppose putting a partisan person in a position of power related to redistricting. This measure was approved by voters based on the non-partisan nature of this commission. Now trying to sneak a person who supports far left and Democrat causes will destroy the integrity and mission of this very important commission. I oppose James Lancaster.

Sincerely,

Vanessa Mulnix

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 7:59PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Ron Fedoronko  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I didn't think you could be fair and independent. Please prove me wrong.

From my iPhone, Ron Fedoronko

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 7:40PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Timothy Parker  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

To whom it may concern,  
We KNOW this Commission was very slanted from the beginning with "republicans" being selected by the Democrats. When a Republican-minded man was censured from a top spot, it would not be advisable for a Democrat Lancaster be allowed to serve as General Counsel. That's like letting Benson telling us she will be transparent after violating State Law to mail our over 7 million absentee ballot requests. This is NOT a good move and should be resisted with every ounce of public pressure. Dr. Timothy Parker

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 7:40PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Merlin Steffes  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I strongly urge the commission to reject Mr. Lancaster's appointment as general counsel and to select a different, truly non-partisan candidate.

Mr. Lancaster has a long history of political contributions to Democrats and Democrat causes.

Mr. Lancaster's obvious political leanings would grossly undermine the objectivity and the mission of the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Merlin Steffes

[REDACTED]

Coopersville, Michigan 49404

[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 7:28PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Roxann Lynn

**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I oppose James Lancaster for General Counsel as he is a Democrat and contributes to democratic causes. This position is supposed to be non partisan so James Lancaster should withdraw his name for this position.

Roxann Lynn

Midland, Michigan

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 7:22PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Fred Rolf

**Subject:** James Lancaster for General Counsel

I have become aware that you are considering appointing a lawyer, JAMES Lancaster, as general counsel with significant ties to a major political party in Michigan. This is inappropriate and defeats the very purpose of the Michigan ballot proposal approved by a majority of a Michigan voters.

Ramon F. Rolf Jr.

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 7:09PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** byagley

**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Dear members of the Redistricting Commission;

I strongly urge you to find another candidate for your General Counsel - one who could certainly be more free of bias toward one political party over another.

Thank you for considering my input and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Barbara Yagley

[REDACTED] Troy, MI 48084

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 6:59PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Diane Bristol  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I oppose Mr. Lancaster. He is far from "independent!"

Diane M Bristol  
Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 6:40PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Bill Crane  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I am deeply concerned about Mr. Lancaster's partisan background and thus oppose his appointment to this sensitive position. Sincerely William A. Crane

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Best Regards,

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 6:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** JESSE ATWELL  
**Subject:** Partisan legal connections

Nominating a lawyer with known partisan connections for the position of Redistricting Commission's legal counsel is in total conflict with the stated mission of the commission. Finding a neutral party for that position is absolutely essential. Anyone with partisan connections of any type place in that position is automatically susceptible to charges of conflict of interest. The only thing that would result from

putting a partisan in that position is more costly lawsuits from activists on both sides. The commission will then be rendered useless at that point.

Jess Atwell  
Chairman of the Board  
CQ Simple, LLC  
[REDACTED]  
Midland, MI 48640  
[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 6:10PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Judyrapanos  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I am oposed to James Lancaster for General Counsel. In no way is he an Independent and that is the type of person you need in leadership positions for this committee.

Judith Ann Rapanos, Chairperson  
4th District Republican Committee  
Midland, Michigan

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 6:05PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Scotsdaledcs  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Please don't select James Lancaster for General Council !

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:48PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** chris bednark  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

James Lancaster is not the person for the job. His partisanship disqualifies him.

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Keith Grainger  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

God Bless the U.S.

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:39PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Linda Kramer  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

To Whom It May Concern:

I was disturbed to read that James Lancaster is being considered for the position of General Counsel of the Redistricting Commission. He is clearly a strongly partisan Democrat given all of his donations to the party and its candidates. This is hardly the non-partisan Commission we were promised if he is appointed. We expect you to do much better. We will be watching.

Respectfully,

Don & Linda Kramer

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:33PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Mary Vaughan  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

To The Redistricting Commission

I Mary Vaughan would appreciate you not considering the candidate Mr. Lancaster to the Commission since he Not and independent as it has been presented and had many times leaned toward a political party and so we believe him to be in favorite of that particular party the majority. Please rethink this appointment for Mr. Lancaster. Thank you so very much.

Mary Vaughan, Secretary of the Wayne CDRC

[REDACTED]  
Taylor, Mi. 48180

[REDACTED]

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:31PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Shirley Sweeney

**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Absolutely OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel for reasons already cited..

Sent from my iPad

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:18PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Lccarpshannon

**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:10PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Lccarpshannon

**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

(No message)

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:10PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Larry Carpenter

**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

(No message)

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 5:01PM

**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Robert W Philip's Jr.

**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

To whom it may concern: Please reject James Lancaster as a candidate for General Council of the Redistricting Commission. Mr. Lancaster is on record as a financial supporter of Democratic candidates. The perception of partisanship in his nomination precludes his ability to support this vital group. Robert Philips, life long Democrat from Norton Shores, Mi.

**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 4:36PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Tim Smith  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I oppose the appointment of James Lancaster for his partisan past.

This is supposed to be an 'independent' position

Tim Smith – President  
City Renovation & Trim Inc.  
[REDACTED]  
Auburn Hills, MI 48326  
[REDACTED]  
www.cityrenovation.com

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 4:26PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Robert Hughes  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Please do not approve Lancaster for GC. His detailed history shows him to not be independent but a Democrat. This undermines the entire process and commission. Thank you. Bob

Robert L. Hughes, REBC, RHU, LUTCF, AIF®  
Employee Benefits Specialist | Advantage Benefits Group  
[REDACTED] Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
[REDACTED] | www.advantageben.com

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 4:21PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>

**Name:** Joanne L. Mahnke  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Hello,

My name is Joanne Mahnke and I am expressing my opposition to James Lancaster being considered for the position of General Counsel for the Citizens Redistricting Commission. Please work to keep this commission as fair and equal as possible.

Sincerely,  
Joanne Mahnke

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 4:16PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Hackleman  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Commissioners--

Citizens who voted for the "independent citizen's redistricting commission" expect you to remain independent.

You appeared to exercise this independence in rejecting candidates for executive director.

Because of his frequent and overt financial support of partisan candidates and causes, appointment of James Lancaster as your general counsel would make a mockery of your charter.

Citizens are watching.

Jay R. Hackleman [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 4:14PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** draf73r  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I strongly believe the role of General Counsel for the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commissions should not be appointed to James Lancaster, because of his frequent history of favoring a single political side. I urge you to reject his appointment and to consider a candidate that is non-partisan, so that fairness and balance remains a key qualification for this position. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Matt W.  
A proud Michigan citizen

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 4:01PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Gregg Shewan  
**Subject:** OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

I strongly oppose James Lancaster under consideration for General Counsel for the Independent Citizen Redistricting Commission!

He is highly biased.

Gregg Shewan  
Big Rapids, Michigan.

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 3:56PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Salvatore Castronovo  
**Subject:** Legal Counsel selection

Select an independent legal counsel not a "Political Hack" .....

Salvatore Castronovo  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 3:47PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Gsblogger  
**Subject:** Independent redistricting commission

I am not in favor of Mr. Lancaster to be a participant in the "Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission." Mr. Lancaster's partisan history favoring Democrats is far more explicit and frequent than the Republican candidates for another job previously criticized by the commission.

Gary Sutter [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Northville 48167 M [REDACTED]

You cannot sacrifice liberty for safety – if you do, you will get neither

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 3:41PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Bronwyn Haltom  
**Subject:** Please OPPOSE James Lancaster for General Counsel

Bronwyn, Kalamazoo County.

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 3:41PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Robert Rice  
**Subject:** reject Mr. Lancaster’s appointment as general counsel

As a member of the Michigan Freedom Fund - MFF has strongly urged the commission to reject Mr. Lancaster’s appointment as general counsel and to select a different, truly non-partisan candidate.

Thanks,

Robert Rice  
[REDACTED]  
Dundee, MI 48131

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 2:25PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** David D. Waymire  
**Subject:** Selection of general counsel

I’m writing to advocate for serious consideration of Jim Lancaster as general counsel for the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission. As someone who for forty years has followed Michigan politics, both partisan and process-wise, I’ve found Jim to be a knowledgeable lawyer on election matters and public policy in general. Based on my understanding of the capabilities of the others being considered, his stand out in those areas, which are vital.

While Jim was indeed deeply involved in the drive to establish the commission through his work with Voters Not Politicians, it’s important to recognize that the organization was established and continues to operate as a non-partisan operation, ready to work with all political parties if they agree with its basic

goal of increasing access to democracy in our state. Jim adhered to that basic requirement throughout his work with VNP, which I supported as a consultant.

It is undeniable that Jim has tended to make contributions to Democrats – but he also contributed to the campaign of one of the most vociferous opponents of VNP, noted GOP lawyer Eric Doster. Experienced practitioners in the specialized area of election and related law are difficult to find, and that capacity needs to be foremost in the minds of the commission as members make their selection. I believe Jim Lancaster will act in a nonpartisan way as he assists the commission in moving forward on its vital work.

David Waymire

Partner

Martin Waymire

[REDACTED]

David Waymire

Partner

Martin Waymire

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**Date of Submission:** Friday, December 4, 2020 1:25PM  
**Method of Submission:** Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>  
**Name:** Brady Middleton  
**Subject:** General Counsel

Hello,

Please do not hire Mr. Lancaster as general counsel. He is, based on his historical political donations, certainly a very partisan person and could not provide non-partisan advise to the commission.

The position of general counsel is very important and Mr. Lancaster is unfit for it.

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone