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Subject: Request for Additional Documentation Originally Requested by Rep. Smit

Dear Chief Legal Director Michael Brady,

As Chair of the Michigan House Oversight Committee, I thank you for following up with Rep. Rachelle Smit's original request for election related documents. However -upon review of your letter and the produced materials, it appears there are missing items. Please correct the following production deficiencies:

- Request No. 1: Your letter points to a URL. The information contained in this URL is inaccessible because it is password protected. Login credentials are requested.
- Request No. 2: Your letter indicates there is an applicable attachment however, there is no responsive attachment.
- Request No. 3: Again your letter points to information contained in the URL, and the
 website is inaccessible because it is password protected. Login credentials are requested.
- Request No. 11: The produced materials are not comprehensive, and there are materials that are hidden behind the login and for which credentials are required. Login credentials are requested.
- Production for Request No. 12: Again, credentials are required to access this material. Accordingly, login credentials and full and unobstructed access to the portal is requested.

Additionally, please address the following production concerns:

- Request No. 4: This organizational chart contains only leadership. What about the rest of MDOS?
- Request No. 5: This chart is an expanded version of the chart above, however it only lists titles but not names. Please produce the chart which contains the names.



- Request No. 6: Thank you for providing this, but we request: (a) that the information be provided in Excel or .CSV format; and (b) we also request the spreadsheet column that contains the jurisdiction served by each respective clerk.
- Request Nos. 1-12: Your letter indicates that certain records were either sensitive or unduly burdensome to produce, and were therefore withheld. For example, full access to the e-learning portal was denied. Please identify all documents and materials you have withheld, and state the reason for withholding said documents and materials.

Finally, your letter stated that a fulsome production would have required 140 man hours, and that you wrote "in good faith [enclosing the] following items [you] were able to produce without undue burden and without undue cost to taxpayers."

Accordingly, please state:

- (a) the total amount of time it took to locate and produce the records you sent to Rep. Smit and myself on Friday, March 7, 2025;
- (b) the names of all personnel who participated in the location and production; and
- (c) the time estimated to produce the remaining unproduced documents and materials as referenced above.

The House Oversight Committee is committed to ensuring transparency and accountability in Michigan's electoral processes. To that end, I ask that the requests stated above be provided to myself and Rep. Smit no later than ten (10) calendar days from the date of this letter. If there are any concerns regarding this request or if clarification is needed, please contact my office as soon as possible.

Please provide the requested documents electronically via email to <u>RachelleSmit@house.mi.gov</u> and <u>JayDeBoyer@house.mi.gov</u>. We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Jay DeBoyer

Associate Speaker Pro Tempore Chair, House Oversight Committee Michigan House of Representatives