



February 25, 2020

Via Email

To: records@americanoversight.org

Austin R. Evers, Executive Director
American Oversight
1030 15th Street NW, Suite B255
Washington, DC 20005

Re: Open Records Request

Dear Mr. Evers:

Your letter to Lynn Ledford, Division Director with the Gwinnett County Community Services Department. For future reference, please note that Kristi Royston, succeeded Ms. Ledford as Elections Supervisor to the Gwinnett County Board of Registrations and Elections in the fall of 2019. Your letter was received by electronic mail on February 24, 2020 and it has been assigned to the County's Law Department for a response. This letter serves as a timely response within three business days of receipt.

The following paragraphs set forth your request and responds to address the availability of the records:

1. All official or unofficial directives, guidance, advisories, or instructions sent by any staff member of the Georgia Secretary of State's Office (including, but not limited to, Elections Director Chris Harvey) to any Gwinnett County election official regarding the processing of pending or rejected voter registration applications. Communications (including emails, email attachments, text messages, calendar invitations/entries, letters, memoranda, or other communications) reflecting such Directives, guidance, advisories, or instructions should be considered responsive to this request.

There are records responsive to this request.

2. Records sufficient to identify the number of voter registration applications rejected by Gwinnett County and any explanation or indication of the reason for the rejection.

There are no records responsive to this request.

3. Records sufficient to identify the number of voter registration applications formerly or currently in pending status and any explanation or indication of the reason for the status

There are no records responsive to this request.

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4. Records sufficient to identify the number of formerly pending voter registration applications approved or rejected by Gwinnett County and any explanation or indication of the reason for the approval or rejection (information regarding all formerly pending

There are no records responsive to this request.

There are responsive records but those records are not immediately available. We anticipate being able to complete the search and provide you with additional records by March 16, 2020.

Please note that any responsive records to this request which are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 50-18-72(a)(41) will not be provided because said documents are attorney-client privileged communications. As authorized by O.C.G.A. § 50-18-71, the cost to search, retrieve, and copy the requested documents is calculated as follows: a charge of \$12.25 per hour after the first fifteen minutes and 10 cents per page. We anticipate that this search will take several hours. Please advise if you would like us to discontinue the search for records.

Finally, you may find it more helpful to contact the office of the Georgia Secretary of State for records related to your requests numbered 2 through 4.

Sincerely,



Melanie F. Wilson
Senior Assistant County Attorney

cc: Kristi Royston, Elections Supervisor, Gwinnett County Board of Registrations and Elections