

Subject: RE: Public Information Request (TX-SOS-22-0147) PIR 22-0217
Date: Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 12:51:46 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: GeneralCounsel
To: AO Records
CC: GeneralCounsel
Attachments: 4.7.22 Documents.zip

EXTERNAL SENDER

Good afternoon,

Consistent with our February 24 letter, please see the attached zipped folder containing documents responsive to Item 2 of your February 9 Request.

The responsive documents contain email addresses of the general public. An email address of a member of the public is confidential under section 552.137 of the Texas Government Code. The attorney general authorized all governmental bodies to withhold an email address of a member of the public without first requesting an attorney general opinion in Open Records Decision No. 684 (2009). Thus, this information has been redacted.

We appreciate your patience as we continue to process your request in accordance with the terms of the PIA. We require additional time to review our records and produce additional responsive documents. We will provide you any additional responsive documents—to the extent such information is not excepted from disclosure under state or federal law—by 5:00 p.m. on April 28, 2022. *See* Tex. Gov't Code § 552.221(d).

Kind regards,

Jennifer Williams
Legal Assistant to the General Counsel
Office of the Texas Secretary of State

From: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 24, 2022 1:59 PM
To: 'AO Records' <records@americanoversight.org>
Cc: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: RE: Public Information Request (TX-SOS-22-0147) PIR 22-0217

Good afternoon,

Please see the attached letter in response to your request for information under Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code.

Kind regards,

Jennifer Williams
Legal Assistant to the General Counsel
Office of the Texas Secretary of State

From: AO Records <records@americanoversight.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 12:55 PM
To: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: Re: Public Information Request (TX-SOS-22-0151)

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Apologies again, the correct one, TX-SOS-22-0147, is here!

From: Dylan Winters <dylan.winters@americanoversight.org> on behalf of AO Records <records@americanoversight.org>
Date: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 1:50 PM
To: "generalcounsel@sos.texas.gov" <generalcounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: Re: Public Information Request (TX-SOS-22-0151)

Dear Public Information Officer:

Unfortunately, our previous request had an incorrect tracking number. Please find the corrected version here.

Sincerely,
Dylan Winters (he/him)
Paralegal
American Oversight
records@americanoversight.org
www.americanoversight.org | @weareoversight

PIR: TX-SOS-22-0151

From: Dylan Winters <dylan.winters@americanoversight.org> on behalf of AO Records <records@americanoversight.org>
Date: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 10:11 AM
To: "generalcounsel@sos.texas.gov" <generalcounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: Public Information Request (TX-SOS-22-0132)

Dear Public Information Officer:

Please find attached a request for records under the Texas Public Information Act.

Sincerely,

Dylan Winters (he/him)

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PIR: TX-SOS-22-0132

From: [Avis Novak](#)
To: [Sam Taylor](#)
Subject: 2020 Forensic Audit - Volunteer Collin County
Date: Thursday, September 23, 2021 8:01:09 PM

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I just read your press release about the forensic audit. I would like to volunteer for Collin County, please advise what the process is.

Thank you!

Avis Novak
McKinney, Texas

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [Lisa Hebert](#)
To: [Sam Taylor](#)
Subject: Audit
Date: Friday, September 24, 2021 10:41:54 AM

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Hello,

I see that we will have an audit of the 2020 election. Thank you!

I would absolutely love to volunteer to help in any way possible.

Can you tell me how to apply?

Thank you.

Lisa Hebert RN
281.755.2273

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From: Liam Brandel [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 3:00 PM
To: Keith Ingram
Subject: Clear Ballot result verification
Attachments: ClearAudit Results Verification One-Pager 091421-2.pdf

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Hi Keith,

It was great to connect with you this afternoon. As I mentioned, I'm sending this over so that you can easily access my contact information if needed. Also, in case you're curious, I've attached a brief overview of the result verification project that I referenced over the phone. If you think this could be worth a deeper discussion please let me know and I'd be happy to walk you through it. Otherwise, best of luck with everything going on in your office and have a great weekend!

Thank you,

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Liam Brandel

Account Executive



Clear Ballot Group, Inc.

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Phone: 857.636.2365

Email: [REDACTED]

Results Verification

More than a post-election audit system



Clear Ballot

A confidence-building system

“Clear Ballot gives you confidence by providing the opportunity to make sure everything is accurate from beginning to end.”

Gertrude Walker

St. Lucie County Supervisor of Elections



An instructional system

“Clear Ballot helps us resolve recount issues and allows for more targeted recounts. It informs election administrators on ballot design issues that can lead to voter confusion and therefore a high percentage of voter error. [They] can also assist in evaluating how certain precincts are doing.”

Natasha Walker

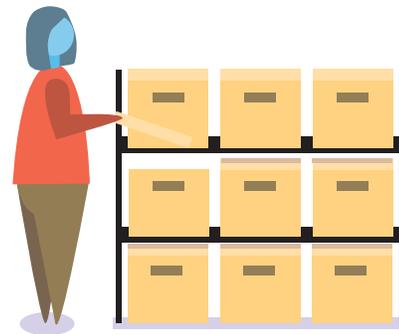
Maryland State Board of Elections

A peace-of-mind system

“Every time you touch a paper ballot, you’re putting the voter intent at risk.”

Mark Andersen

Bay County Supervisor of Elections



A go-home-early system

“The election is so transparent with Clear Ballot that a recount could be avoided.”

Mark Earley

Leon County Supervisor of Elections

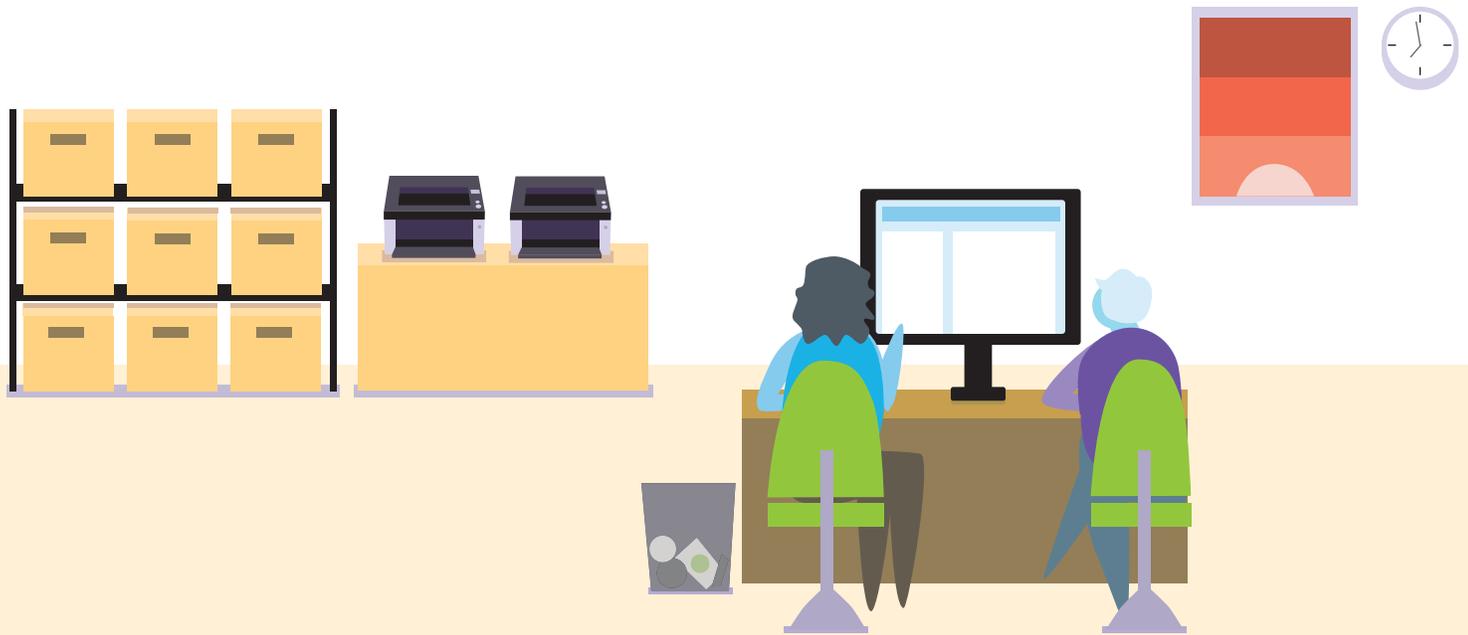
A get-it-done results verification system

“With a hotly contested congressional race and increased attention on us, we needed to get our results finalized as soon as possible. If it had not been for Clear Ballot, we would still be counting! Their technology, back up, and service saved us.”

*Bob Howe and Tom Brown
Cortland County, New York Election Commissioners*

“With Clear Ballot, we have a pristine ballot inventory and can easily account for every voted ballot down to where it is located in the storage box.”

*Vicki Cannon
Nassau County Supervisor of Elections*



A transparent system

“El Paso County works hard to make sure every vote is counted and verified. Clear Ballot gives us the tools we need to provide an additional layer of validation to our election results. It gives our county the peace of mind and confidence that every vote was counted accurately. We’re very happy that Clear Ballot has helped us provide our voters the transparency and verification they deserve.”

*Chuck Broerman
El Paso County, Colorado Clerk*

“The system enhances the transparency of the vote counting process by allowing observers of the procedure to clearly see ballots with questionable votes or markings. Additionally, we have found the Clear Ballot staff very responsive in helping us learn and use their system.”

*Mary R. Dyer and Gregory B. Campbell
Clinton County, New York Election Commissioners*

From: Cornelius, Daniel (DAL) <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 2:46 PM
To: Elections Internet
Subject: Election audit

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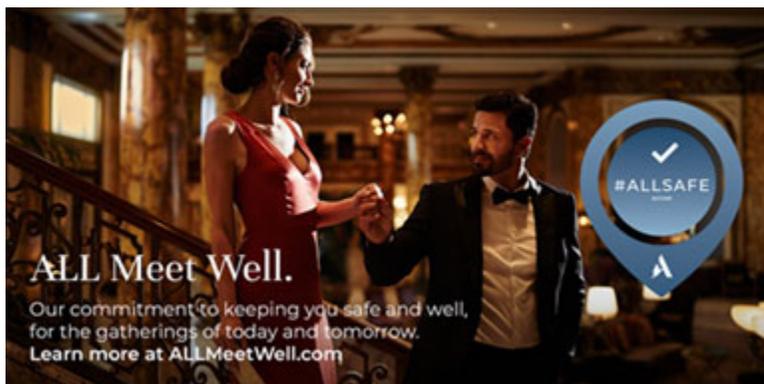
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I would love to volunteer my time for this.

DANIEL CORNELIUS
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From: [SweetsDutton](#)
To: [Elections Internet](#)
Subject: election audit
Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 10:59:40 AM

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Hello,

Is it possible to volunteer to assist with the Tarrant County election audit? Can you direct me to who to contact to volunteer?

Thank you,

Sheree Dutton

Sent with [ProtonMail](#) Secure Email.

From: [Debf1862](#)
To: [Elections Internet](#)
Subject: Elections Audit
Date: Monday, September 20, 2021 10:44:23 AM

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Hello,

I am writing to ask, when will you conduct an audit of the 2020 Election?

I have worked elections for 21 years, and have been a certified Judge and Clerk in Bexar County since 2016. I was scheduled to work for the Special election but after all these years I can honestly say I don't trust the election process anymore and have declined to work.

I would like to participate in any audits and hope by doing so I can regain trust.

Sincerely,

Deborah Faunce

Sent from ProtonMail for iOS

From: [Debbie Lindstrom](#)
To: [Sam Taylor](#)
Subject: Forensic audit questions
Date: Friday, September 24, 2021 12:32:00 PM

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Mr Taylor,

I am writing in regards the press release on 9/23/21 from The Office of the Texas Secretary of State. I have several questions in regards to the statement "already begun the process".

When did the forensic audit start?

What company has been chosen to do the forensic audit?

What is the protocol that Texas will be following to conduct the audit?

Why have Texans NOT been told it has begun before hand?

And as a resident of Collin County, what can I do to help this process in my county?

I look forward to hearing your response asap.

Respectfully,

Debbie Lindstrom
14055 Red Wood Cir N
McKinney, Texas 75071
469-387-5560

From: [Maria Harbert - Dallas Fort Worth Realtor](#)
To: [Elections Internet](#); [Sam Taylor](#); info@kenpaxton.com
Subject: Full Forensic Audit of 2020 Election for Texas Questions
Date: Friday, September 24, 2021 10:55:21 AM

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To Whom It May Concern,

The news announcement from yesterday, September 23, 2021, left me with questions I'd like to have answered. After a quick phone call to Tarrant County Elections, I learned that they hadn't heard about this full forensic audit which the article stated "has already begun".

What does "already begun the process" mean?

Can you tell me when the audit began?

Have you received presentations for contract, and if so, what companies presented?

Who was chosen to conduct the audit?

If a decision on who will conduct the audit has not been made, what committee will make the decision?

If a company has been selected to conduct the audit, what committee made the decision?

Can I volunteer to work for the Tarrant County Audit? If so, how?

Thank you for providing details about the full forensic audit. Texas badly needs this audit, and I'm in support of it as long as it is a true, complete audit and not used to just pacify us or President Trump.

Thank you for addressing my questions and concerns.

Respectfully,

Maria Harbert

From: [KENT HAGOOD](#)
To: [Sam Taylor](#)
Subject: Full Forensic Audit
Date: Friday, September 24, 2021 9:17:47 AM

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To Whom it May Concern,

I was thrilled yesterday when I saw the SOS has agreed to a forensic audit in four counties. I'm in Tarrant County and would love to help.

What does "already begun the process" mean? When did it start? What company was chosen? What is the protocol we're following?

How can I help?

Best regards,

Katherine Hagood

[REDACTED]
817-946-1950

From: [SOS Webmaster](#)
To: [Elections Internet](#)
Cc: [Sam Taylor](#); [SOS Webmaster](#)
Subject: FW: Volunteer to help with audit
Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 11:30:16 AM

Hello,

A response may be sent to Shelley Ames at [REDACTED]

Thank you,
Pepe

From: Shelley Ames [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 11:21 AM
To: SOS Webmaster <webmaster@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: Volunteer to help with audit

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How do we volunteer to help with the full forensic audit? Many of us would like to help but we need to know how. Please send me any info you can. In order for an audit to be taken seriously, this needs to be fully transparent and allow participation from those willing to give the time.

Thank you
Shelley Ames
[REDACTED]
817-913-3737

From: [Jennifer Evett](#)
To: [Elections Internet](#)
Subject: Fwd: Tarrant County Election Audit - 2nd request!
Date: Friday, October 1, 2021 2:39:00 PM

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Thanks,
Jennifer Evett
817-829-2636
[REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jennifer Evett [REDACTED]
Date: September 29, 2021 at 2:38:47 PM CDT
To: elections@sos.texas.gov
Subject: Tarrant County Election Audit

Good Afternoon!

With the announcement of audits for the 2020 election in four major counties, Tarrant County being one of them, I would like to be involved. Please advise on what my next steps would be, to become a part of this process. I look forward to hearing from you!

Thanks,
Jennifer Evett
817-829-2636
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Elections Internet](#)
Subject: Help with Tarrant Co Audit
Date: Tuesday, September 28, 2021 10:34:43 AM

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Mary Louise Nicholson
Tarrant County Clerk

Ms Nicholson-

Hello, I'm Geneva Graham and I am inquiring in the Tarrant County Audit for the 2020 Election. I would greatly like to help with this process. Recently, I did the 2020 Census and really enjoyed that work. The need is so great that I will do whatever I can to help with the Elections. Most of my life, I have lived in Tarrant County and it is time for me to help my fellow residents.

Currently, I'm retired as a Landman and would like to get involved with this procedure of the Audit, as well as the Elections going forward.

Please contact me anytime to help with our Elections or direct me as to who to contact so I can be of service to you.

Thank you,
Geneva Graham
817-475-4360
[REDACTED]

From: [Paul Craft](#)
To: [Christina Adkins](#)
Subject: Our Conversation This Morning
Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 9:08:07 AM

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Dear Ms. Adkins,

As we discussed this morning, the Freeman, Craft, McGregor Group is interested in conducting election audit projects for the Texas Secretary of State. Our experience in election administration reviews and audits include projects for the City of Chicago and Cook County, Illinois, the State of Maryland, Minneapolis Minnesota, and the City of London Ontario. Our proposal would be for an audit of elections operations, adequacy of and compliance with procedures, internal controls, and effectiveness of security, not a recount.

Our project team would include, Kate McGregor, Steve Weingart, Dr. Gisela Salas, Connie Schmidt and myself.

For the background of our partners and more information on our experience please see our website at:

<https://fcmconsulting.com/>

Thank you,
Paul Craft

From: [Peggy Navratil](#)
To: [Elections Internet](#)
Subject: Support full forensic audit for Harris County and volunteering assistance
Date: Friday, October 1, 2021 2:39:27 PM

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Dear Elections Supervisors:

I was a Harris County resident during the 2020 election and fully support a full forensic audit for the 4 counties suggested by President Trump. I also submit my name and time to volunteer and assist with same.

Kind Regards,
Peggy Navratil
713-201-4578
[REDACTED]

2718 Old Hwy. 105 W
Conroe, TX 77403

From: [Patty Boston](#)
To: [Elections Internet](#)
Subject: Tarrant County Audit Workers
Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 2:27:57 PM

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Hello,

Could you please send information regarding how to volunteer to help with the Tarrant County audit of the 2020 general election?

I grew up in Tarrant County, and now live in on the Tarrant County line in Johnson County. So, while I am unable to help on a Jury or otherwise, I would like to help with their audit as a dependable and organized volunteer.

Thank you,
Patty Boston

[REDACTED]

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From: [Jennifer Evett](#)
To: [Elections Internet](#)
Subject: Tarrant County Election Audit
Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 2:39:02 PM

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I look forward to hearing from you!

Thanks,
Jennifer Evett
817-829-2636
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From: [Ashley Zanella](#)
To: [Sam Taylor](#)
Subject: Williamson county forensic audit request
Date: Thursday, September 23, 2021 8:12:32 PM

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Hello and thank you for pushing for this forensic audit!!

Many of us in Williamson county have expressed concerns at a county level that our votes were manipulated and just get told "trust us, trust the machines, you can't find out who your vote counted for".

Please help us getting a full forensic audit here too!

I would be happy to help.

Thank you again!

Texas law requires all license holders to provide the Real Estate Commission Information About Brokerage Services: https://www.dropbox.com/s/1mmqglo298vu04l/IABS%201-0%20%281%29_Filled_Out.pdf?dl=0

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