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Sent via email – records@americanoversight.org

RE: Public Records Request received March 7, 2022

Dear Ms. Rasheed:

This letter is in response to your public records request received by our office via fax on March 7, 2022. You specifically requested the following:

“1. All external communications (including emails, complete email chains, email attachments, calendar invitations, and calendar invitation attachments) between (a) Attorney General Todd Rokita, and (b) Alexander Phipps (including, but not limited to, at Alexander.Phipps@heritage.org), containing any of the key terms listed below.

2. All email communications (including emails, complete email chains, email attachments, calendar invitations, and calendar invitation attachments) between (a) Attorney General Todd Rokita, and (b) any of the individuals specified below, including but not limited to at the listed email addresses or domains, containing any of the key terms listed below.

Specified Individuals:

- a. Cleta Mitchell (cmitchell@foley.com, cleta@cletamitchell.com, or @bradleyfdn.org)
- b. Christy McCormick (cmccormick@eac.gov)
- c. Don Palmer (dpalmer@eac.gov)
- d. Cameron Quinn
- e. J Christian Adams (a@electionlawcenter.com)
- f. John Eastman (jeastman@claremont.org or jeastman@chapman.edu)

Key Terms:

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| i. Heritage | xvii. Citizen |
| ii. Heritage.org | xviii. Citizenship |
| iii. Heritageaction.com | xix. ID |
| iv. “Working group” | xx. Identification |
| v. Election | xxi. Redistricting |
| vi. Portal | xxiii. Redistrict |

vii.	Voting	xxiv.	District
viii.	Voter	xxv.	“Drop box”
ix.	Vote	xxvi.	Drop-box
x.	Absentee	xxviii.	Dropbox
xi.	Ballot	xxix.	Registration
xii.	Ballots	xxx.	Maintenance
xiii.	VBM	xxix.	Purge
xiv.	By-mail	xxx.	“State of emergency”
xv.	“By mail”	xxxi.	Lawsuit
xvi.	Suppression		

To be clear, for both request items, American Oversight's request includes complete email chains. For example, if Attorney General Rokita received an email from Cleta Mitchell containing the key term "vote," the complete thread in which that email is contained should be produced, and not just the message containing the key term.

For both parts of this request, please provide all responsive records from November 3, 2020, through May 3, 2021.”

In response to our March 31, 2022, letter asking that you amend your request to include details that would meet APRA’s reasonable particularity requirements, you offered the following amendments to the above request:

“All email communications (including emails, complete email chains, email attachments, calendar invitations, and calendar invitation attachments) between (a) Attorney General Todd Rokita, and (b) any of the individuals specified below, including but not limited to at the listed email addresses, containing any of the key terms listed below.

Specified individuals:

1. Alexander Phipps (Alexander.Phipps@heritage.org)
2. Cleta Mitchell (cmitchell@foley.com, cleta@cletamitchell.com)
3. Christy McCormick (cmccormick@eac.gov)
4. Don Palmer (dpalmer@eac.gov)

Key terms:

1. Heritage
2. “working group”
3. Election
4. Vote
5. Absentee
6. Ballot
7. VBM
8. Citizen
9. Redistrict
10. “state of emergency”

To be clear, for both request items, American Oversight's request includes complete email chains. For example, if Attorney General Rokita received an email from a specified individual containing a key term, the complete thread in which that email is contained should be produced, and not just the message containing the key term.

For both parts of this request, please provide all responsive records from November 3, 2020, through May 3, 2021."

Please be advised that, after reviewing our records, we have none that are responsive to your amended request.

This completes our review of the records you requested. If you have any questions regarding this public records request, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Walls", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John Walls
Chief Counsel, Advisory Division