

**Subject:** RE: Public Records Request (AZ-SEN-22-0625)  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at 1:59:12 PM Eastern Daylight Time  
**From:** Pete Galvan  
**To:** AO Records  
**Attachments:** Results - AO 0625.pdf

EXTERNAL SENDER

Hello,

Please find attached all Senate records responsive to this request.

Pete

**Pete Galvan**  
Arizona State Senate | Associate Rules Attorney  
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**From:** Pete Galvan  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 30, 2022 1:30 PM  
**To:** AO Records <[records@americanoversight.org](mailto:records@americanoversight.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: Public Records Request (AZ-SEN-22-0625)

Your request has been received and will be processed.

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**From:** AO Records <[records@americanoversight.org](mailto:records@americanoversight.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 30, 2022 10:15 AM  
**To:** Pete Galvan <[pgalvan@azleg.gov](mailto:pgalvan@azleg.gov)>  
**Subject:** Public Records Request (AZ-SEN-22-0625)

Dear Public Records Officer:

Please find attached a request for records under Arizona's Public Records Law.

Sincerely,

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Sarah Wishingrad

Pronouns: she/her

Paralegal

American Oversight

[records@americanoversight.org](mailto:records@americanoversight.org)

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PRR: AZ-SEN-22-0625

**From:** [Lynn Constabile](#)  
**To:** [Kelly Townsend](#)  
**Subject:** Automatic reply: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 21, 2021 4:45:06 PM

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I am away from the office today with limited access to email.

If you recieved this message as a response to an email sent to [web.recorder@yavapaiaz.gov](mailto:web.recorder@yavapaiaz.gov) , your message has been recieved and you do not need to forward it.

For Elections assistance, please forward your e-mail to [web.elections@yavapaiaz.gov](mailto:web.elections@yavapaiaz.gov) or call the Elections dept. at 928-771-3250.

**From:** [Kelly Townsend](#)  
**To:** [David Gowan](#); [J.D. Mesnard](#); [Nancy Barto](#); [Sonny Borrelli](#); [Thomas T.J. Shope](#); [Tyler Pace](#); [Warren Petersen](#); [Ben Toma](#); [Beverly Pingerelli](#); [Brenda Barton](#); [Frank Carroll](#); [Gail Griffin](#); [Jacqueline Parker](#); [Jake Hoffman](#); [Jeff Weninger](#); [John Fillmore](#); [John Kavanagh](#); [Joseph Chaplik](#); [Kevin Payne](#); [Leo Biasiucci](#); [Lupe Diaz](#); [Neal Carter](#); [Steve Kaiser](#); [Tim Dunn](#); [kbazsos@gmail.com](#); [Michelle Burchill](#); [Yuma- Robyn Stallworth Pouquette](#); [Lynn.Constabile@yavapaiaz.gov](#); [Joel John](#); [Quang Nguyen](#); [Shawna Bolick](#); [Walter Blackman](#); [David Cook](#); [Teresa Martinez](#); [Mark Finchem](#); [johnbrakey@gmail.com](#); [Stevens, David](#)  
**Cc:** [KayRee Kubat](#); [Leslie Hoffman](#); [Brenda Barton](#); [April Riggins](#); [Keesha Esquerette](#); [Mark Finchem](#); [Tiffany Anderson](#); [Justin Riches](#); [Grant Hanna](#); [Michael Hans](#); [Hannah Willes](#); [Linsey Goodwin \(lgoodwin@azleg.gov\)](#); [Andrew Pappas](#); [Jeff Kros](#); [Lisa Marshall](#); [Jacqueline Denlinger](#)  
**Subject:** Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director  
**Date:** Monday, December 20, 2021 5:10:00 PM

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Respectfully,

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**From:** [Leslie Hoffman](#)  
**To:** [Kelly Townsend](#)  
**Subject:** Elections Stakeholder Meeting, December 22, 2021  
**Date:** Thursday, December 23, 2021 1:09:57 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[Important Dates for 2022.pdf](#)

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Good afternoon Senator Townsend,

First and foremost we would like to extend our sincere appreciation for organizing and meeting with us yesterday. We wanted to follow up with some information requested.

Information about ERIC (Electronic Registration Information Center)

- The Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) is a non-profit organization with the sole mission of assisting states to improve the accuracy of America's voter rolls and increase access to voter registration for all eligible citizens.
- The chief elections official from each member state designates a Member Representative to the ERIC Board of Directors. Each state's Member Representative serves as a voting member of the board. Kori Lorick, Arizona State Elections Director is our representative.
- ERIC is governed and managed by member states who choose to join, currently 31 States plus DC are members.
- For more in depth information: [www.ericstates.org](http://www.ericstates.org)

Please see the attached summary of the "Important Dates" calendar for the 2022 elections. This will assist with planning for implementation of new elections laws in 2022.

We look forward to seeing you on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at our Follow Your Ballot Tour.



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**Effective August 2nd, my e-mail will be changed to [Leslie.Hoffman@yavapaiaz.gov](mailto:Leslie.Hoffman@yavapaiaz.gov)**

[Lynn.Constabile@yavapaiaz.gov](mailto:Lynn.Constabile@yavapaiaz.gov). *Please update any distribution lists.*



## ELECTIONS 2022

### Important Dates to Remember



#### March 8, 2022 (Vote by Mail)

180 day notice	September 9, 2021
First day to file nomination papers (150)	October 9, 2021
Last day to file nomination papers (120)	November 8, 2021
Ballot language due (118)	November 10, 2021
Last day for Special Dist write-in candidates to file (106)	November 22, 2021
Last day to mail UOCAVA ballots (45)	January 22, 2022
Last day for write-in candidates to file (40)	January 27, 2022
Last day to register to vote (29)	February 7, 2022
Early voting begins (27)	February 9, 2022
Last day to request an early ballot by mail (11)	February 25, 2022
Last day to receive a replacement ballot in-person	March 8, 2022

#### May 17, 2022 (Vote by Mail)

180 day notice	November 18, 2021
First day to file nomination papers (150)	December 18, 2021
Last day to file nomination papers (120)	January 18, 2022 *
Ballot language due (118)	January 19, 2022
Last day for Special Dist write-in candidates to file (106)	January 31, 2022
Last day to mail UOCAVA ballots (45)	April 2, 2022
Last day for write-in candidates to file (40)	April 7, 2022
Last day to register to vote (29)	April 18, 2022
Early voting begins (27)	April 20, 2022
Last day to request an early ballot by mail (11)	May 6, 2022
Last day to receive a replacement ballot in-person	May 17, 2022

#### August 2, 2022 (Primary Election)

180 day notice	February 3, 2022
First day to file nomination papers (150)	March 5, 2022
Last day to file nomination papers (120)	April 4, 2022
Ballot language due (118)	April 6, 2022
Last day for Special Dist write-in candidates to file (106)	April 18, 2022
Last day to mail UOCAVA ballots (45)	June 18, 2022
Last day for write-in candidates to file (40)	June 23, 2022
Last day to register to vote (29)	July 5, 2022 *
Early voting begins (27)	July 6, 2022
Last day to request an early ballot by mail (11)	July 22, 2022
Last day to vote early in person (4)	July 29, 2022

#### November 8, 2022 (General Election)

180 day notice	May 12, 2022
First day to file nomination papers (150)	June 11, 2022
Last day to file nomination papers (120)	July 11, 2022
Ballot language due (118)	July 13, 2022
Last day for Special Dist write-in candidates to file (106)	July 25, 2022
Last day to mail UOCAVA ballots (45)	September 24, 2022
Last day for write-in candidates to file (40)	September 29, 2022
Last day to register to vote (29)	October 11, 2022 *
Early voting begins (27)	October 12, 2022
Last day to request an early ballot by mail (11)	October 28, 2022
Last day to vote early in person (4)	November 4, 2022

\* Statutory date is a non-business day. Date has been adjusted to the next business day.

**From:** [John McCarthy](#)  
**To:** [Kelly Townsend](#)  
**Cc:** [John R Brakey](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Fwd: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 28, 2021 11:30:01 PM

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Hi again Ms Kubat,

Per your email request yesterday, I've appended a copy of the message John Brakey forwarded to me late Tuesday afternoon, Dec 21, as I had requested during a Zoom meeting with him earlier that day.

After the Dec 22 meeting John told me that when asked who C. Jay Coles and John McCarthy were, he had apologized to Senator Townsend for forwarding the email message to me, and said he had specifically not invited me because he knew it was a private meeting and that he was just a guest. John also said he explained that C. Jay Coles and I both worked for [Verified Voting](#), which is a nationally known non-partisan organization that has helped legislators and policy-makers draft election audit laws, rules, and regulations in other states.

I did send an email message to Senator Townsend later Tuesday, Dec 21, saying that I hoped to join the meeting the next morning (copy below) but that was well after regular business hours. You sent me two email messages at at 7:30 and 8:08am (Pacific time) Wednesday morning telling me that you had let Senator Townsend know and asking who sent me the link, but unfortunately I didn't check my email messages (including those two) until after the meeting had already begun (shortly after 9am Pacific time).

I do hope that C. Jay Coles and I may have an opportunity early in 2022 to meet with Senator Townsend and others interested in new bipartisan election legislation that could help improve transparency, verifiability, and citizen confidence in future Arizona elections.

Thanks again for your help,

John McCarthy  
Verified Voting volunteer since 2004

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**John McCarthy** Volunteer Advisor (he/him)

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**Subject:** Re: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director

**Date:** Tue, 21 Dec 2021 23:36:12 -0800  
**From:** John McCarthy <[john@verifiedvoting.org](mailto:john@verifiedvoting.org)>  
**Organization:** Verified Voting  
**To:** KayRee Kubat <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>

Dear Ms. Kubat,

I hope to attend tomorrow's meeting via Zoom.  
Can you please inform the person managing the call?

Will the meeting be recorded so others might see and hear it later?

Thanks,

John McCarthy  
Verified Voting volunteer since 2004

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**John McCarthy** Volunteer Advisor (he/him)

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**Subject:** Fwd: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise  
County Recorder and Elections Director

**Date:** Tue, 21 Dec 2021 16:47:15 -0700

**From:** John R Brakey <[johnbrakey@gmail.com](mailto:johnbrakey@gmail.com)>

**To:** Susan Pynchon \*\*AUDIT USA Florida <[SusanPynchon@gmail.com](mailto:SusanPynchon@gmail.com)>, John L.  
McCarthy \*\*ET Verifiedvoting <[John@verifiedvoting.org](mailto:John@verifiedvoting.org)>

FYI

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**From:** Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>

**Date:** Tue, Dec 21, 2021 at 4:44 PM

**Subject:** Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County  
Recorder and Elections Director

**To:** Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>, David Gowan <[dgowan@azleg.gov](mailto:dgowan@azleg.gov)>, J.D.  
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Good afternoon,

For anyone that wants to join via Zoom, below is the link.

If you plan to attend via Zoom, please let me know so I can inform the person managing the call tomorrow.

Topic: Elections Stakeholders Meeting w/ Senator Townsend

Time: Dec 22, 2021 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://azleg.zoom.us/j/89169215675?pwd=YnZFYXlmOGltV2s1MDZlV0VTSjBCUT09>

Meeting ID: 891 6921 5675

Passcode: 129753

Respectfully,

**KayRee Kubat**



**Administrative Assistant to  
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Arizona State Senate

602-926-3536

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**From:** Kelly Townsend  
**Sent:** Monday, December 20, 2021 5:05 PM  
**Subject:** Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director

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**From:** [Tim Dunn](#)  
**To:** [Kelly Townsend](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 21, 2021 7:39:03 AM

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Thanks for the update. I regularly meet with Robyn. I am not taking any meetings this week or next and will not be at the capital otherwise this meeting would have been on my calendar. Have a great holiday.

Tim Dunn  
Dunn Grain  
President  
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On Dec 20, 2021, at 5:04 PM, Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)> wrote:

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**From:** [Lupe Diaz](#)  
**To:** [Kelly Townsend](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director  
**Date:** Monday, December 20, 2021 5:32:02 PM

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Good evening, I was wondering if zoom is available for this meeting.

Representative Diaz

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**Sent:** Monday, December 20, 2021 5:04:40 PM  
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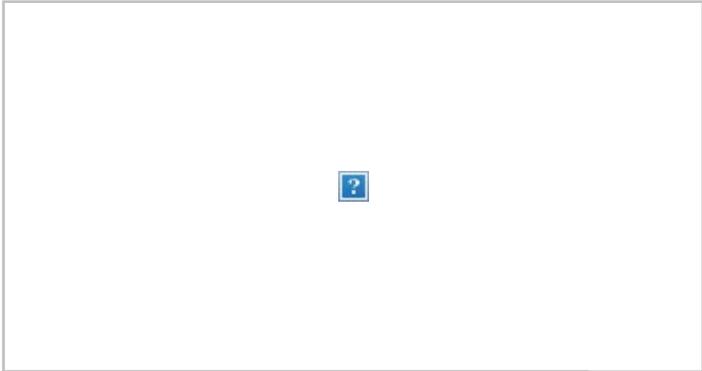
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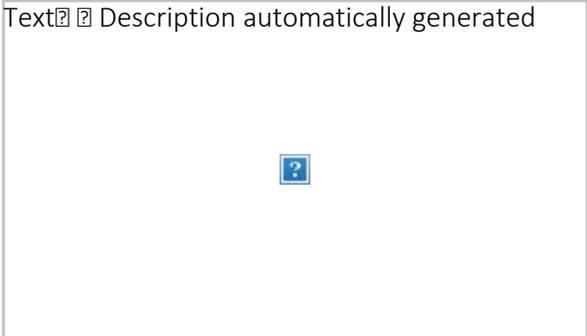
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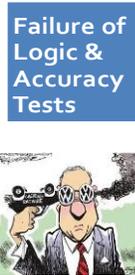
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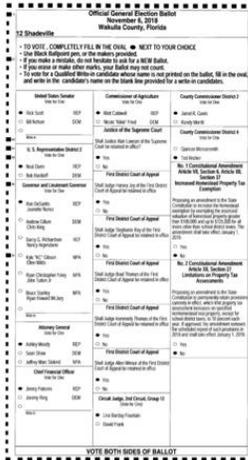
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**Date:** Tuesday, December 21, 2021 6:25:33 PM  
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Since we understand there may be other stakeholder meetings in the future, we'd like to inquire how we might at least be able to audit those meetings via Zoom. For more information about Verified Voting, please see our website <https://verifiedvoting.org/>.

I hope we'll be able to get to know you and Senator Townsend better in the future.

Thanks again for your help,

John

John McCarthy  
Verified Voting volunteer since 2004

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**John McCarthy** Volunteer Advisor (he/him)

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On 12/22/2021 9:28 AM, John McCarthy wrote:

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> Thanks for your quick response.

>  
> John Brakey, who is one of the participants sent it to me.  
>  
> John  
> On 12/22/2021 8:08 AM, Kelly Townsend wrote:  
>> Hi John,  
>>  
>> Can you please tell me who sent you the link?  
>>  
>> Thank you,  
>> KayRee  
>>  
>>  
>> From: John McCarthy <[john@verifiedvoting.org](mailto:john@verifiedvoting.org)>  
>> Sent: Wednesday, December 22, 2021 12:36 AM  
>> To: Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>  
>> Subject: Re: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise  
County Recorder and Elections Director  
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>> Can you please inform the person managing the call?  
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>> Thanks,  
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On 12/22/2021 10:19 AM, Kelly Townsend wrote:

Hello John, yes because your name, as well as Mr. Coles, was not recognized by Senator Townsend and she was not informed about you being on the call they removed you.

Respectfully,  
KayRee

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**From:** John McCarthy <[john@verifiedvoting.org](mailto:john@verifiedvoting.org)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 22, 2021 10:13 AM  
**To:** Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>  
**Cc:** C.Jay Coles <[ccoles@verifiedvoting.org](mailto:ccoles@verifiedvoting.org)>; John R Brakey <[johnbrakey@gmail.com](mailto:johnbrakey@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Why did host just remove me from this meeting? [was: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections

Director

Dear Ms. Kubat,

I was in the Zoom meeting room just now when I got a message  
"The host has removed you from this meeting"  
and then my Zoom screen went blank.

Could you please try to get someone to let me in?  
Is this not a public meeting according to Arizona law?

Thanks,

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**From:** [Joel John](#)  
**To:** [Kelly Townsend](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 22, 2021 9:53:50 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Thank you!

Respectfully,

*Alexis Thomas*

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Representative David Cook LD 8  
Representative Joel John LD 4  
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602-926-4982  
[athomas@azleg.gov](mailto:athomas@azleg.gov)

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**From:** Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 22, 2021 9:20 AM  
**To:** Joel John <[JJohn@azleg.gov](mailto:JJohn@azleg.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director

Yes, here you go...

Dajana Zlaticanin is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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Time: Dec 22, 2021 10:00 AM Arizona

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**From:** Joel John <[JJohn@azleg.gov](mailto:JJohn@azleg.gov)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, December 22, 2021 9:16 AM

**To:** Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director

Good Morning KayRee,

Representative John would like to know if there is a call in number for the meeting today?

Respectfully,

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**From:** Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 21, 2021 4:45 PM

**To:** Kelly Townsend <[ktownsend@azleg.gov](mailto:ktownsend@azleg.gov)>; David Gowan <[dgowan@azleg.gov](mailto:dgowan@azleg.gov)>; J.D. Mesnard <[JMesnard@azleg.gov](mailto:JMesnard@azleg.gov)>; Nancy Barto <[NBarto@azleg.gov](mailto:NBarto@azleg.gov)>; Sonny Borrelli <[sborrelli@azleg.gov](mailto:sborrelli@azleg.gov)>;

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Respectfully,

**KayRee Kubat**

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**From:** [David Cook](#)  
**To:** [Kelly Townsend](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Zoom Link for Elections Stakeholder Meeting w/ Yavapai, Yuma & Cochise County Recorder and Elections Director  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 21, 2021 6:41:39 PM

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Thank you.

David Cook  
Representative LD8

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