

HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP

885 RIVER ROAD HASTINGS, MI 49058, (269)948-9690, FAX (269) 948-9917

May 18, 2022

Sheriff Dar Leaf
Barry County Sheriff's Office
Hastings, Michigan, 49058

Sheriff Leaf:

Enclosed is an invoice for payment for legal expenses incurred regarding your FOIA request on the 2020 Election. Per our lawyer, this request should have never been submitted. We suggest you and your office concentrate on the law enforcement duties that our taxpayers elected you to do as per your mission statement. Potential legal actions are not something your department needs and would just reduce the resources your department requires to get your job done for Barry County taxpayers.

Jim Brown 
Supervisor, Hastings Charter Township

cc: Barry County Commissioners
Michael Brown, County Administrator

enclosures/Legal Information

Mission Statement of Barry County's Sheriff's Office

The Mission of the Barry County's Sheriff's Office is to provide a full spectrum of professional corrections and law enforcement services to ensure our community continues to progress as a safe and secure place to live, work and visit.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

CERTIFIED MAIL NUMBER: _____
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Barry County Sheriff's Office/ Mark Noteboom
1212 W State Street
Hastings, Michigan 49058

03/30/2022

Hastings Charter Township
Anita S. Mennell
Township Clerk
885 River Road
Hastings, Michigan 49058

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mrs Mennell:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §552, the Privacy Act 5 U.S.C. §552(a) and , I am requesting, by way of this letter, an opportunity to either inspect or receive copies of a copy of the Electronic Poll Book (EPB), CVR, and QVF information for the 11/03/2020 General Election. Please provide the date and time stamps, voter ID's, and election that the information you provided is from. This is a criminal investigation, so no information shall be redacted from requested materials.. Please mail the information to the aforementioned address.

In the event that a fee shall be incurred for either searching or the copying of these documents or records, please inform me of the cost. However, if the cost exceeds \$0.00, I would also like to request a waiver of all fees as the disclosure of the requested information is for my own personal use and knowledge and/or in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the awareness and/or understanding of the information contained within the aforementioned document(s) and/or files. This information is not being requested or sought after for any commercial purposes.


This information should not be subject to any exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), and access to the requested document(s) should be granted within twenty (20) working days.

I also request that if you determine that any part of the information requested is exempt from the FOIA, this information be identified by document. I request that you provide the statutory basis for your claim and your reasons for not exercising your discretion to release this information. FOIA also provides that if any portions of the file are exempt from release, the remainder of the file must be released. Therefore, I request that I be provided with any and all non-exempt portions that can reasonably be segregated.

In the event that you are unable to provide the information requested, please let me know so that further arrangements or appeals can be made.

Thank you for your time and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



(Petitioner Signature)

Barry County Sheriff's Office/ Mark Noteboom
2699484800
Mnoteboom@barrycounty.org

Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC

INVOICE

4151 Okemos Road
Okemos, 48864
www.fsbrlaw.com
O: 5173810100

Invoice Number	2807
Invoice Date	5/1/2022
Due Date	6/1/2022
Matter	General

Bill To:

Hastings Charter Township

885 River Road
Hastings, MI 49058

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Time Entries

Time Entries	Billed By	Rate	Hours	Sub
4/5/2022 Tel Conf w/ Client; Review Materials; Corresp w/ Client	William K. Fahey	\$225.00	1.20	\$270.00
4/12/2022 Corresp w/ Client and Counsel re FOIA Request; Tel Conf w/ Client	William K. Fahey	\$225.00	0.80	\$180.00
4/12/2022 Receipt and review FOIA request regarding election material, research regarding same	Kendall R. O'Connor	\$190.00	0.70	\$133.00
4/14/2022 Draft election material FOIA response ltr	Kendall R. O'Connor	\$190.00	2.00	\$380.00
4/14/2022 Revise Corresp; FOIA Corresp w/ Client	William K. Fahey	\$225.00	0.30	\$67.50
4/15/2022 Revise FOIA Response; Corresp w/ Client	William K. Fahey	\$225.00	0.30	\$67.50
4/15/2022 Revise election material FOIA response ltr	Kendall R. O'Connor	\$190.00	0.40	\$76.00
4/18/2022 Revise and Send FOIA Response	William K. Fahey	\$225.00	0.60	\$135.00
Time Entries Total			6.30	\$1,309.00

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① = \$1039⁰⁰

Total (USD)	\$1,309.00
Paid	\$0.00
Balance	\$1,309.00
Total Outstanding	\$1,309.00

Please remit payment to: Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC, 4151 Okemos Road, Okemos, MI 48864