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Via Email: scott@mcmillanlaw.us

RE: Further Response from Shasta County to Your PRA Request

Dear Mr. McMillan:

This letter is to provide a further response on behalf of the County of Shasta and County Clerk and Registrar of Voters/Election Department (County) to your Public Records Act (PRA) request, dated January 28, 2021. On February 5, 2021, the County provided a preliminary response to your request and informed you that it would provide a further response by February 19, 2021.

The County has determined that it is not in possession of records it understands to be requested by the following categories of your request: numbers 1 through 4, 19 through 25, 28 through 35, 39 through 42, 45, 48, 49, and 52. Although no records currently exist for the above categories, please note that the County has not completed a determination of whether or not data compilation, extraction, or programming would be required in order to produce a record pursuant to Government Code § 6253.9(b). Further, the determination of whether a record is able to be produced in accordance with Government Code § 6253.9(b) is subject to Government Code § 6253.9(f) (“Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the public agency to release an electronic record in the electronic form in which it is held by the agency if its release would jeopardize or compromise the security or integrity of the original record or of any proprietary software in which it is maintained”) and Government Code § 6253.9(g) (“Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit public access to records held by any agency to which access is otherwise restricted by statute”). Other exemptions may apply, including but not limited to Government Code §§ 6254.19 and 6254(aa). Please be advised that the County reserves the right to assert any and all applicable exemptions as may be appropriate concerning any of the categories of your request.

Based on the nature of your request, it appears some information you are seeking may be available at www.shastavotes.org and the California Secretary of State’s website at www.sos.ca.gov. If you have any trouble accessing information at these sites, then please contact me for further assistance.

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The County's review of your request and corresponding records search is ongoing. To date, the request has required significant time and resources. Your PRA request refers to a voluminous number of records that have to be collected and examined from multiple County departments. The County anticipates providing you a further response with determinations whether responsive records exist for the remainder of your request by March 8, 2021. If this timeline is not agreeable to you, please contact me. The County will also inform you on or before that time of the fee that may be associated with your request.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Natalia K. Ebersole
Deputy County Counsel