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October 29, 2025

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Meg Denning

research@truethevote.org

RE: Public Records Request dated October 14, 2025

Dear Ms. Denning:

On October 14, 2025, Ada County Elections received your public records request for the following information:

This request seeks all records, communications, directives, or guidance created or received by your office since March 25, 2025, related to Executive Order 14248, titled *'Preserving and Protecting the Integrity of American Elections'*, including but not limited to:

1. Actions taken or planned to comply with, respond to, or evaluate the order;
2. Communications with federal agencies (including the Election Assistance Commission or Department of Justice) concerning implementation or challenges to the order;
3. Any internal analyses, meeting notes, or correspondence with county officials, election vendors, or other stakeholders related to voter roll verification, mail-ballot receipt deadlines, or documentary proof-of-citizenship requirements.

Additionally, please include any records, guidance, or communications your office has sent to counties or local election authorities in connection with Executive Order 14248.

Ada County Elections has one responsive record to your request. Accordingly, your request is granted in full, and the responsive document is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Saul H. Seyler, JD, CERA

Director

Ada County Elections

400 N. Benjamin Lane, #100

Boise, ID 83704

(208) 287-6851

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Ph (208) 287-6900

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Ph (208) 287-6879

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From: Scott Bandy
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 5:30 PM
To: Rob McQuade; Jan Bennetts; Trent Tripple; Kessinger, Bret
Cc: david.neth@isp.idaho.gov; Zweigart, Fritz; Saul Seyler; Ryan Jensen; Horwitz, Kate (USAID); Phil McGrane
Subject: RE: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

Thank you,

Scott

From: Rob McQuade <rmcquade@sos.idaho.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 4:55 PM
To: Jan Bennetts <jbennetts@adacounty.id.gov>; Trent Tripple <ttripple@adacounty.id.gov>; Scott Bandy <prbandrs@adacounty.id.gov>; Kessinger, Bret <Bret.Kessinger@isp.idaho.gov>
Cc: david.neth@isp.idaho.gov; Zweigart, Fritz <Fritz.Zweigart@isp.idaho.gov>; Saul Seyler <sseyler@adacounty.id.gov>; Ryan Jensen <rjensen@adacounty.id.gov>; Horwitz, Kate (USAID) <Kate.Horwitz@usdoj.gov>; Phil McGrane <pmcgrane@sos.idaho.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

Hi All,

Phil asked me to pass along that on Tuesday of this week President Trump signed an Executive Order titled "[Preserving and Protecting the Integrity of American Elections.](#)"

This order introduces new federal-level directives intended to standardize key aspects of election administration across the states. It covers multiple areas of elections, including the prosecution of election crimes, which is why we wanted to share it with this group.

All the best,

Rob

From: Horwitz, Kate (USAID) <Kate.Horwitz@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 2:11 PM
To: jbennetts@adacounty.id.gov; Phil McGrane <pmcgrane@sos.idaho.gov>
Cc: david.neth@isp.idaho.gov; Zweigart, Fritz <Fritz.Zweigart@isp.idaho.gov>; Scott Bandy <prbandrs@adacounty.id.gov>; Kessinger, Bret <Bret.Kessinger@isp.idaho.gov>; Saul Seyler

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Subject: Re: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

All,

Please accept my apologies for missing last week's morning meeting. I'm happy to coordinate and help with these efforts but unfortunately did not receive the emails below. Rob and Phil, thanks for meeting last week on this issue. Scott, we'll reach out on the pending Ada County cases and Bret's good work in this area. In the meantime, I'm happy to assist with any questions or concerns about immigration and election issues.

Best,

Kate

Kate Horwitz
208-631-7186

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From: Rob McQuade <rmcquade@sos.idaho.gov>

Sent: Thursday, March 6, 2025 2:34:38 PM

To: Horwitz, Kate (USAID) <Kate.Horwitz@usdoj.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

From: Jan Bennetts <jbennetts@adacounty.id.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 4:06:04 PM

To: Neth, David <david.neth@isp.idaho.gov>; Zweigart, Fritz <Fritz.Zweigart@isp.idaho.gov>

Cc: KHorwitz@usa.doj.gov <KHorwitz@usa.doj.gov>; Scott Bandy <prbandrs@adacounty.id.gov>; Kessinger, Bret <Bret.Kessinger@isp.idaho.gov>; Saul Seyler <sseyler@adacounty.id.gov>; Trent Tripple <ttripple@adacounty.id.gov>; Phil McGrane <pmcgrane@sos.idaho.gov>; Rob McQuade <rmcquade@sos.idaho.gov>; Ryan Jensen <rjensen@adacounty.id.gov>

Subject: RE: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

Thank you. I have added everyone to this email so we don't miss anyone.

Let us know what time and where.

Thanks,
Jan

From: Neth, David <david.neth@isp.idaho.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 3:52 PM
To: Jan Bennetts <jbennetts@adacounty.id.gov>; Zweigart, Fritz <Fritz.Zweigart@isp.idaho.gov>
Cc: KHorwitz@usa.doj.gov; Scott Bandy <prbandrs@adacounty.id.gov>; Kessinger, Bret <Bret.Kessinger@isp.idaho.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

Jan,

LTC Zweigart and I are still good for this Thursday. Kate is cc'd as well.

I will contact the Sec of State and see if we can meet there. I will let everyone on this email know.

Thanks!

Dave Neth, Major
Western Command | Idaho State Police
Office: (208)-884-7206



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From: Jan Bennetts <jbennetts@adacounty.id.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 1:36 PM

To: Neth, David <david.neth@isp.idaho.gov>; Zweigart, Fritz <Fritz.Zweigart@isp.idaho.gov>

Subject: RE: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

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Kate's email is:

KHorwitz@usa.doj.gov

From: Jan Bennetts

Sent: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 12:05 PM

To: david.neth@isp.idaho.gov; Fritz.Zweigart@isp.idaho.gov

Subject: FW: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

See below for request to invite Kate Horwitz from the US Atty's Office. thanks

From: Rob McQuade <rmcquade@sos.idaho.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 11:36 AM

To: Jan Bennetts <jbennetts@adacounty.id.gov>

Cc: Phil McGrane <pmcgrane@sos.idaho.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

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Good morning Jan,

Thanks for putting this together. Would it be possible to also include Kate Horwitz from the U.S. Attorney's Office as well?

All the best,

Rob

From: Jan Bennetts <jbennetts@adacounty.id.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 8:10 AM

To: Neth, David <david.neth@isp.idaho.gov>; Zweigart, Fritz <Fritz.Zweigart@isp.idaho.gov>

Cc: Scott Bandy <prbands@adacounty.id.gov>; Saul Seyler <sseyler@adacounty.id.gov>; Trent Tripple <ttripple@adacounty.id.gov>; Ryan Jensen <rjensen@adacounty.id.gov>; Phil McGrane <pmcgrane@sos.idaho.gov>; Rob McQuade <rmcquade@sos.idaho.gov>

Subject: [Ext] FW: voter fraud case meeting

Good morning all,

I wanted to loop back on this meeting to make sure we are all on the same page. Colonel Gardiner and I discussed the need for a meeting to make sure our respective offices develop a process as to how we will be handling voter fraud investigations in Ada County.

Colonel Gardiner indicated ISP would schedule the meeting and he asked me to send him the names of the people who should attend.

See below for the email I sent Colonel Gardiner with the names of those who should attend this meeting. I have copied everyone on this email so you all have each other's email addresses.

Thank you all for your assistance on this.

**Let me know if you have any questions,
Jan**

**Jan M. Bennetts
Ada County Prosecuting Attorney
(208) 287-7700**



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From: Jan Bennetts <jbennetts@adacounty.id.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2025 10:04 AM
To: Gardiner, William <bill.gardiner@isp.idaho.gov>
Subject: voter fraud case meeting

Hi Colonel Gardiner,

Thank you for visiting with me about the process for these cases.

I have identified the following people who should attend this meeting.

- 1. Scott Bandy, ACPO**
- 2. Saul Seyler, Ada County Clerk's Office – he is unavailable to meet until late next week**
- 3. Ryan Jensen, ACSO**
- 4. Phil McGrane and Rob McQuade, Sec of State**

**Thanks again,
Jan**

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