

November 20, 2015

Judge Gerald C. Nichol Chairman Wisconsin Government Accountability Board 212 East Washington Avenue, Third Floor P.O. Box 7984 Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7984

Via email and mail

Dear Judge Nichol,

Please consider this letter a request for records under the state's Open Records Law (19.31-39, Wisconsin Statutes):

I request copies of all records regarding the costs of the investigation and proceedings for the John Doe case that has been widely reported on as "John Doe 2", under the provisions of s. 968.26 (6) and s. 19.35 of the Wisconsin Statutes. If no records exist, I request that you provide a summary of the appropriate costs as is required under s. 968.26, Stats.

Please be aware that the Open Records law "shall be construed in every instance with the presumption of complete public access consistent with the conduct of governmental business. The denial of access generally is contrary to the public interest and only in exceptional cases can access be denied." If you deny my request, the law requires you to do so in writing and state what part of the law you believe entitles you to deny my request. Wis. Stat. § 19.35(4)(a).

The Open Records law states that you may charge for "the actual, necessary and direct cost" of locating records, if this exceeds \$50, and for photocopies. The Wisconsin Department of Justice advises that copying fees under the Open Records law should be "around 15 cents per page and that anything in excess of 25 cents may be suspect." Please advise me before processing this request if the total cost will exceed \$100.

As you know, the law requires you to respond to this request "as soon as practicable and without delay."

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

David Craig

State Representative

83rd District

Cc: Kevin Kennedy, Director and General Counsel, Government Accountability Board