

Wisconsin Elections Commission

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Sent via USPS mail and via email to: sbowers@wrightstown.us and pleitermann@wrightstown.us

Re: Complaint EL 24–32, Patrick Gitzlaff v. Julie Sigmund et al, Filed with the Wisconsin Elections Commission

Dear Clerk Bowers, Clerk Leitermann, Ms. Sigmund, Ms. Laabs, and Ms. Aerts,

Attached to the email transmitting this letter, please find a sworn Wisconsin Statute § 5.06 complaint filed with the Wisconsin Elections Commission (Commission) by Patrick Gitzlaff. The complaint pertains to alleged violations of Wis. Stat. § 7.30(2) concerning the requirement that election inspectors cannot be a candidate for any office to be voted for at an election at which they serve.

Individuals that believe the actions of an election official were contrary to an election law or were an abuse of discretion in applying an election law may file a complaint with the Commission. As the Respondent, you may now provide a sworn written response to the complaint within 13 business days of the date appearing on this letter, which would be **April 22**, **2024**. Your response should address the allegations raised in the complaint.

After you file your response, the Complainant may file a reply within 13 business days of the date that the Commission transmits your response to the Complainant. Once all allowable filings have been received, the Commission staff will review the information and draft a decision in consultation with the Commission Administrator. The Administrator will then consult with the Commission Chair and issue the decision after permitting Commission members an opportunity to provide any feedback or request a special meeting.

You may file your response via email addressed to <u>angela.sharpe@wisconsin.gov</u> and <u>elections@wi.gov</u> so long as it is clear that the original document has in fact been sworn before an individual that can administer oaths, like a notary public. You may also file the response via regular mail to the address listed in the header above. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at 608-264-6764.

Sincerely,

Angela Sharpe

Wisconsin Elections Commissioners

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Cc: Meagan Wolfe, Commission Administrator