



Wisconsin Elections Commission

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Kim Trueblood, County Clerk
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Kody Hart
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Sent via email: kim.trueblood@co.marathon.wi.us; kodyjamesallenhart@gmail.com

Re: Complaint EL 24-05, Jo Ann Egelkroust v. Kim Trueblood et al, Filed with the Wisconsin Elections Commission

Dear Clerk Trueblood and Mr. Hart,

Attached to the email transmitting this letter, please find a sworn Wisconsin Statute § 5.06 complaint filed with the Wisconsin Elections Commission (Commission) by Jo Ann Egelkroust. The complaint constitutes an appeal of Clerk Trueblood's decisions regarding certain elector signatures on Ms. Egelkroust's nomination papers for the position of Marathon County Board Supervisor District 3. Ms. Egelkroust also claims her complaint is an appeal of Mr. Hart's challenge to her nomination papers.

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 **February 1, 2024**. Your response should address the allegations raised in the complaint. **You have a right to take the full 13 business days to file your response, and nothing in this letter is intended to persuade you to give up that right.** However, if you are able to return your response earlier than the deadline, that would aid the Commission in issuing a decision so this matter can be resolved prior to when ballots for the Spring Election need to be printed.

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 angela.sharpe@wisconsin.gov and elections@wi.gov 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 608-266-0136.

Wisconsin Elections Commissioners

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Meagan Wolfe

Sincerely,

Angela Sharpe

Angela O'Brien Sharpe
Staff Attorney

Cc: Meagan Wolfe, Commission Administrator