

Wisconsin Elections Commission

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August 30, 2024

Brenda Petersen Town of Westfield PO Box 157 Westfield, WI 53964

Sent via email: clerk@townofwestfieldwi.com, elarson@ammr.net

Re: Complaint Filed with the Wisconsin Elections Commission

EL 24-88 - Sharon Galonski v. Brenda Petersen

Dear Clerk Petersen,

Attached to the email transmitting this letter, please find a sworn Wisconsin Statute § 5.06 complaint filed against you with the Wisconsin Elections Commission (Commission) by Sharon Galonski. The complaint alleges an abuse of discretion and actions contrary to law regarding the finding of sufficiency of the recall petition against Ms. Galonski. The complaint was received on Monday, August 19, 2024.

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 Respondent, you may now provide a sworn written response to the complaint within 13 business days of the date appearing on this letter, which is Thursday, September 19, 2024. Your response should address the allegations raised in the complaint. While you may submit a response on September 19th, we ask you to expedite your response, if possible. This complaint concerns and could potentially affect an election and any ballots that would be printed for that election, and the Commission will attempt to resolve the complaint as quickly as possible.

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. We would also ask that the Complainant expedite any reply. Once all allowable filings have been received, 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>brandon.hunzicker@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 608-267-0714.

Sincerely,

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Brandon Hunzicker Staff Attorney

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Cc: Meagan Wolfe, Commission Administrator