



# Wisconsin Elections Commission

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Beth Trudell  
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Sent via email: [beth\\_4357@yahoo.com](mailto:beth_4357@yahoo.com)

**Re:** Complaint Filed with Wisconsin Elections Commission  
Beth Trudell v. Lisa Glinski – EL 24-83

Dear Ms. Trudell,

I am in receipt of the complaint filed with the Wisconsin Elections Commission (“the Commission”), received on August 2, 2024, against Clerk Lisa Glinski of the Town of Little Suamico (Oconto County). The administrative rules governing the Commission’s processing of complaints require that I review the complaint and determine within 10 business days whether the complaint is timely, is sufficient as to form, and states probable cause. Wis. Admin. Code EL § 20.04(1).

While I find your complaint to be timely, I also find that your complaint is not sufficient to form and does not state allegations that could lead to a finding of probable cause. Therefore, I am returning the complaint to you without prejudice pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 5.06 and Wis. Admin. Code § EL 20.04(1) and (2).

Your complaint is not sufficient because it does not cite a provision of chapters 5 through 10 and 12 that Clerk Glinski is alleged to have violated. Although you did cite Wis. Stat. § 5.06(1), this is a procedural statute by which an elector can bring a challenge against an election official in their jurisdiction. Your complaint must provide specific statutes that Clerk Glinski is alleged to have violated, and they must be reasonably supported by your allegations. Wis. Stat. § 5.06(1) refers to the types of complaints that can be brought. Other statutes govern voting qualifications, residence, ballot preparations, and election processes. You state that Clerk Glinski’s procedures “were not carried out as per statute.” You must identify these specific substantive statutes that you allege were violated. Additionally, those statutes must be within or directly relate to the processes described within chapters 5 to 10 and 12. Based on the complaint you have submitted, it is not clear that any issue is raised that relates to election law as opposed to municipal law.

I am returning the complaint, without prejudice, pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § EL 20.04(2), as it is not sufficient as to form. “Without prejudice” means that you are free to file the complaint again once the deficiencies have been corrected. I have specified the defects in the complaint (form, probable cause). If any issue related to election law under chapters 5 to 10 and 12 of the Wisconsin Statutes, you can resolve these deficiencies by providing specific, substantive statutes that were violated, as supported by your allegations.

Accordingly, the Commission now considers this complaint to be disposed of pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 5.06(2).

*Wisconsin Elections Commissioners*

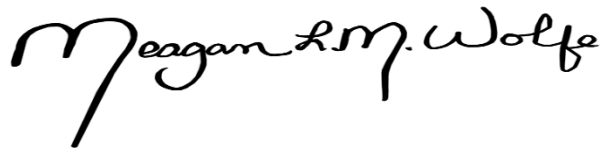
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Administrator  
Meagan Wolfe

Please feel free to contact me if you have any additional questions regarding this complaint.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Megan R.M. Wolfe". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'M' at the beginning.

Meagan Wolfe  
Administrator

**WISCONSIN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

Cc: Commission Members