



# Wisconsin Elections Commission

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May 12, 2022

Jody Audetat  
Vernon County Clerk  
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Viroqua, WI 54665

**Sent via Email:** [countyclerk@vernoncounty.org](mailto:countyclerk@vernoncounty.org); [nikki@abtswaynelaw.com](mailto:nikki@abtswaynelaw.com); [jody.audetat@vernoncounty.org](mailto:jody.audetat@vernoncounty.org)

**Re:** Complaint Filed with Wisconsin Elections Commission  
EL 22-41: Adrian Amelse v. Vernon County Clerk, et al.

Dear Clerk Audetat and Respondents,

Attached by email with this letter, please find a sworn Wisconsin Statute § 5.06 complaint filed with our office by Adrian Amelse. The complaint alleges violations of Wis. Stats. §§ 5.01 and 6.97, relating to the tie break and ballot draw down following the Spring of 2022 Election.

As you may be aware, 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 our office. To process this complaint, I ask that you provide a sworn written response to the complaint within 10 business days of receipt of this letter and complaint. Your response should address the allegations raised in the complaint.

After you file your response, the complainants will be afforded the opportunity to file a reply to your response within 10 business days of receipt of your response. Once all the allowable filings have been made, 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.

You may file your response via email addressed to [james.witecha@wisconsin.gov](mailto:james.witecha@wisconsin.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 by regular mail to the address listed in the header above.

If you have any additional questions on this, please feel free to contact me at (608) 266-0136.

*Wisconsin Elections Commissioners*

Ann S. Jacobs, chair | Marge Bostelmann | Julie M. Glancey | Dean Knudson | Robert Spindell | Mark L. Thomsen

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Administrator  
Meagan Wolfe

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Witecha". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "W".

Jim Witecha  
Staff Attorney

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Cc: Meagan Wolfe, Commission Administrator

Enclosure