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Wisconsin Elections Commission  
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**Ref: Stanek v. Schutte (EL 21-14)**

This will acknowledge receipt of your correspondence of March 17, 2021, regarding the complaint regarding the Primary Election of February 16, 2021. Your correspondence included a copy of the response letter from Clerk Schutte, Town of Middle Inlet.


Clerk Schutte's material indicates the "sample ballots .... were posted in three (3) posting places in the Town of Middle Inlet" :

1. Town Hall – W7901 County Rd X
2. Town Fire Dept. Building – N9299 US Hwy 141
3. Boat Landing – Boat Landing Rd posting place

I voted during the later morning hours of February 16, 2021, and did not see any sample ballot posted at the Town Hall. However, the early morning of February 17, 2021, I checked the posting board at the Town Hall to check if the election results were posted. At that time, I observed a "yellow" sample ballot pinned to the center of said board. I cannot verify the claim of posting in the other two (2) locations.

She further claims the "sample ballot .... was mistakenly, not published in the Peshtigo Times". The Peshtigo Times (the "Official Newspaper of Record") confirmed the fact that a sample ballot was never submitted for publication. They further indicated that they contacted the Town of Middle Inlet by telephone, requesting a sample ballot in order to publish. They received no response from the Town of Middle Inlet.

Sincerely,

  
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