

## Wisconsin Elections Commission

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Daniel Crandall, Adams Township Clerk N7180 Dougherty Creek Road Argyle, WI 53504 Dixie Stechschulte N5705 Biggs Road Argyle, WI 53504

Sent via email: dstech1066@gmail.com; clerk@townofadamsgreencountywi.gov

**Re:** Complaint EL 25-07, Dixie Stechschulte v. Daniel Crandall, Filed with the Wisconsin Elections Commission

Dear Clerk Crandall and Ms. Stechschulte,

Attached to the email transmitting this letter, please find a sworn Wisconsin Statute § 5.06 complaint filed with the Wisconsin Elections Commission (Commission) by Dixie Stechschulte. The complaint constitutes an appeal of Clerk Crandall's decisions regarding certain nomination paper and ballot access materials. The original challenges included lack of signatures, duplicate signatures, and signatures obtained after certification. The complaint also raises other issues concerning the declarations of candidacy, lack of compliance with correcting affidavits, lack of providing equal information to all candidates (not just incumbents), and the clerk serving as filing officer and ballot candidate.

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. The respondent may then provide a sworn written response to the complaint within 13 business days of the date appearing on this letter, which would be January 31, 2025 (includes a state holiday). Your response should address the allegations raised in the complaint. You have a right to take the <u>full</u> 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 call a meeting of the Commission to consider the matter.

You may file your response via email addressed to <u>james.witecha@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 608-266-0136.

Wisconsin Elections Commissioners

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Sincerely,

Jim Witecha

Chief Legal Counsel

Cc: Meagan Wolfe, Commission Administrator