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VIA EMAIL: Richardson@EELegal.org

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Re: Public Records Request

Dear Mr. Richardson:

I write in response to your Public Records Act request dated October 20, 2017, which calls for "copies of all forms, attestations and/or other departure- or separation-related paperwork submitted by or on behalf of a) Scott [sic] Kline, b) Wendy Morgan, and/or c) William Sorrell preceding, accompanying or otherwise relating to their departure from the Office."

As an initial matter, please note that the records you have requested are relevant to the pending lawsuits EELI has filed against the Attorney General's Office under the Public Records Act, and therefore are subject to the exemption contained in 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(14). However, the AGO has determined that the interests of the State will be served by the disclosure of the responsive records that are not covered by a separate Public Records Act exemption. Accordingly, without limiting the application of the § 317(c)(14) exemption to other Public Records Act requests, attached please find records in response to your request.

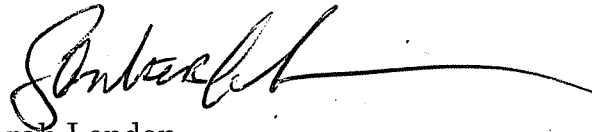
Personal contact information (the home address of Wendy Morgan) has been redacted pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(7). In addition, the following types of potentially responsive records contained in the personnel files of the three former employees at issue have been withheld as personnel records pursuant to 1 V.S.A.

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§ 317(c)(7): routine communications and documentation involving or generated by Department of Human Resources staff regarding each former employee's benefits, leave, timesheets, or medical appointments at issue at the time of the employee's departure. The withheld records do not relate to the return of state property or to email accounts.

If you feel records have been wrongfully withheld, you may appeal to the Deputy Attorney General, Joshua Diamond.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah London", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sarah London
Assistant Attorney General

Enclosures