

From: [Mishaan, Jessica](#)
To: colin@daily-signal.org
Subject: response to public records request
Date: Friday, October 4, 2024 9:19:06 AM
Attachments: [2024-10-04 Welts response to Aamot w docs.pdf](#)
[image001.png](#)

Dear Colin Aamot,

Please find the attached response to your public records request.

Thank you,

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October 4, 2024

Via email to: colin@daily-signal.org

Colin Aamot
Contributor, Daily Signal

Re: Public Records Request

Dear Colin Aamot:

I write in response to your Public Records Act request received by the Attorney General's Office on September 24, 2024 in which you requested: "Copies of all closed investigative case files, including, but not limited to: affidavits, warrants, subpoenas, investigative summaries, standardized forms, finalized investigative reports, and any other related documentation or materials associated with investigations pertaining to, or mentioning, 'voter fraud', 'ballot fraud', 'ballot stuffing', 'ballot mules', 'election fraud', 'voter suppression', 'illegal voting', 'vote tampering', 'vote harvesting', 'absentee ballot fraud', 'mail-in ballot fraud', 'election interference', 'electoral fraud', 'double voting', 'voting irregularities', 'voter intimidation', 'illegal absentee ballots', 'unlawful voting', 'false voter registrations', 'dead voters', or 'ineligible voters'."

Enclosed you will find records that are responsive to your Public Records Act request. Personal information has been redacted pursuant to 1 V.S.A. §§ 317(c)(5)(A)(iii) and (c)(7); records of detection and investigation of crime that satisfy certain criteria and personal documents relating to an individual. Certain records have been withheld pursuant to 1 V.S.A. §§ 317(c)(3) and (c)(4); attorney-client communications and work product.

To the extent you feel information has been withheld in error, you may appeal to the Deputy Attorney General, Robert McDougall. Such appeal should be in writing to: Attorney General's Office, Attn: Robert McDougall, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609-1001 or ago.publicrecordsrequests@vermont.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie A. Welts
Leslie A. Welts
Assistant Attorney General

From: [AGO - Election Complaints](#)
To: [Holly Rees](#)
Cc: [Sprino, Alexandra](#)
Subject: RE: 'EXTERNAL'Reporting illegal voting activity
Date: Friday, June 21, 2024 4:26:08 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

Hi Holly,

We really appreciate your efforts in alerting our office about this matter. The office has looked into the issue, and based on the information publicly available, we do not have sufficient information to identify Mr. Lafrenniere. Please be advised, our office will retain the information provided and should more information become available, please notify us.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Sara R. Arrato
Paralegal III
Office of the Attorney General – Administrative Law Unit
109 State Street
Montpelier, Vermont 05609

From: Holly Rees <hrees@southburlingtonvt.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2024 10:35 AM
To: AGO - Election Complaints <AGO.ElectionComplaints@vermont.gov>
Subject: RE: 'EXTERNAL'Reporting illegal voting activity

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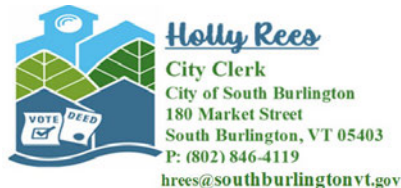
Hi Sara

I don't have a contact or address for them as they don't live in South Burlington and are not on the voter list that I can see. I am sorry I don't have more information to help you. I forward the first point of contact email and that is all I have to go on.

Good luck with next steps.

Best

Holly



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From: AGO - Election Complaints <AGO.ElectionComplaints@vermont.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2024 10:28 AM
To: Holly Rees <hrees@southburlingtonvt.gov>
Subject: RE: 'EXTERNAL'Reporting illegal voting activity

Holly,

The voting issues fall under the campaign finance committee in our office. I apologize for not clarifying this. We are currently looking into the issue; however, we need a place to send the letter to Mr. Lafrenniere. If you happen to have any information as to his address, we would greatly appreciate it. If not, we will continue to search for an address through our resources.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Sara R. Arrato
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From: Holly Rees <hrees@southburlingtonvt.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 22, 2024 10:46 AM
To: AGO - Election Complaints <AGO.ElectionComplaints@vermont.gov>
Subject: RE: 'EXTERNAL'Reporting illegal voting activity

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Good Morning

I want to clarify that it is not a complaint from campaign finance, rather a voting issue. I had forwarded the information I had received from a resident from a social media outlet. I am attaching the email below. This is the only information I have.

Best

Holly

Received the snapshot of this communication from [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]@gmail.com

9:03



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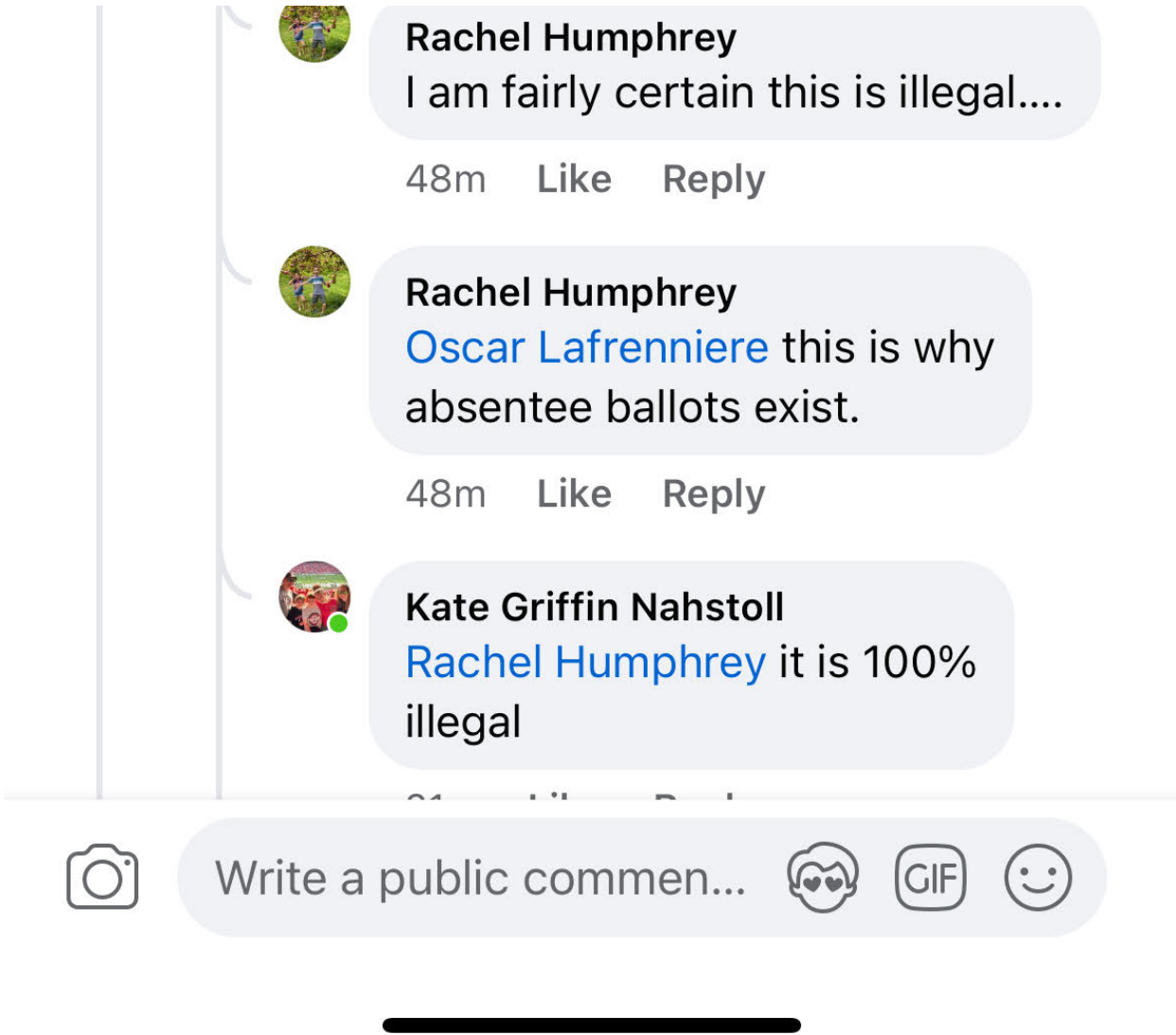
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Sent: Wednesday, May 22, 2024 8:20 AM
To: Holly Rees <hrees@southburlingtonvt.gov>
Subject: RE: 'EXTERNAL' Reporting illegal voting activity

Good morning, Holly,

Do you happen to have an email address or mailing address for Mr. Lafrenniere?

Sincerely,

Sara R. Arrato
Paralegal III

Office of the Attorney General – Administrative Law Unit
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Montpelier, Vermont 05609

From: Holly Rees <hrees@southburlingtonvt.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 4:28 PM
To: AGO - Election Complaints <AGO.ElectionComplaints@vermont.gov>
Subject: Re: 'EXTERNAL'Reporting illegal voting activity

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Thank you Sara.

I will await hearing back from you if permissible to share. Please be in touch if there are any questions you have for me.

Best

Holly

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From: AGO - Election Complaints <AGO.ElectionComplaints@vermont.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 4:00:37 PM
To: Holly Rees <hrees@southburlingtonvt.gov>
Subject: RE: 'EXTERNAL'Reporting illegal voting activity

Holly,

We understand you have submitted the below campaign finance complaint against Oscar Lafrenniere. We will provide the subject with a copy of your complaint and conduct a review of the allegations.

You will be notified when the review is complete. Please note, however, that 17 V.S.A. § 2904 limits our ability to publicly disclose information obtained in the course of an investigation, absent a court order or the consent of the party who provides the information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sara R. Arrato
Paralegal III
Office of the Attorney General – Administrative Law Unit
109 State Street
Montpelier, Vermont 05609

From: Holly Rees <hrees@southburlingtonvt.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 10:34 AM
To: AGO - Election Complaints <AGO.ElectionComplaints@vermont.gov>
Subject: FW: 'EXTERNAL'Reporting illegal voting activity

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Good Morning

I received this communication regarding potential voter fraud from a South Burlington resident last evening. I have checked and do not see Oscar Lafrenniere on the South Burlington voter list, so I am not sure where he resides. The Secretary of States Office recommend I send this to you for further follow up. Let me know if there is anything else I can assist with.

Best

Holly



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From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 9:08 PM
To: Holly Rees <hrees@southburlingtonvt.gov>

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