



## Restoring Integrity and Trust in Elections

January 27, 2026

Ginny Gelms  
Hennepin County Elections  
300 South 6th St MC 680  
Minneapolis, MN 55487-0012

Dear Ms. Gelms:

On behalf of Restoring Integrity and Trust in Elections (RITE), a nonprofit organization whose mission is to protect the rule of law in elections throughout the United States, this is a formal request for access to government data under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 13. I am writing to you as the responsible authority of the Hennepin County Elections Office. If you are not the appropriate designee, please let me know to whom RITE should direct this request.

I seek access to any and all government data (including, but not limited to, email and attachments, text messages, memoranda, and other written correspondence) from January 1, 2024 to the present related to the following:

1. Correspondence between your office and the Minnesota Secretary of State's office regarding the processes outlined in Minnesota Statutes, § 201.145, subd. 5.
2. Correspondence between your office and the Minnesota Secretary of State's office or Minnesota Department of Public Safety regarding the processes for verifying the citizenship of individuals registered to vote pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, § 201.161. This would include correspondence reflecting any complaints from your office or other counties regarding process deficiencies.
3. Any correspondence concerning any individuals who were registered to vote pursuant to § 201.161 indicating that such individual(s) were ineligible for voter registration on the basis they were noncitizens.
4. Correspondence between your office and the Minnesota Secretary of State's office concerning the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC), including, but not limited to, Eligible but Unregistered (or "EBU") mailings.
5. Correspondence between your office and any individuals who received Eligible but Unregistered mailings who indicated they were ineligible to register to vote.
6. Any other policies, processes, or written practices for rejecting the registration of or canceling the registration of voters identified as noncitizens.
7. All correspondence, records, or forms created, maintained, or received pursuant to Minnesota Rule § 8200.9940, including the "Precinct List of Persons Vouching," and

any equivalent forms, lists, worksheets, or records used by election judges to record vouching activity at the precinct level. This request includes, but is not limited to, records identifying the individual who vouched, the number of registrants vouched for by that individual, the associated precinct, and any notations or designations reflecting vouching by residential facility employees or other persons authorized to vouch under an exception to the ordinary numerical limits.

8. All correspondence, records, or forms created, maintained, or received pursuant to § 8200.5100(1)(A)(D)-(E), including the “oath” form provided in § 8200.9939, and any correspondence, forms or records reflecting an individual’s execution of a vouching oath in connection with Election Day registration.

I am requesting production of this data in electronic format under Minnesota Statutes, § 13.03, subd. 3(c). To the extent any responsive data are not maintained in electronic form, please identify the format in which the data are maintained and provide access in the most cost-effective and reasonable manner consistent with § 13.03, subd. 3(e).

If you determine that you will redact or withhold any otherwise responsive data, please inform me in writing of the specific statutory basis for your denial.

If there are any fees for searching or producing/copying these records, please inform me if the cost will exceed \$500. However, RITE requests that you waive any fees because the disclosure of the requested information furthers a significant public interest and will contribute to the public’s understanding of Minnesota’s efforts to ensure free and fair elections. RITE is not seeking the records for commercial purposes.

If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact me. I can be reached at [justinriemer@riteusa.org](mailto:justinriemer@riteusa.org).

Sincerely,

/s/

J. Justin Riemer  
President & CEO  
Restoring Integrity and Trust in Elections