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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order
Oregon Governor's Office
DOJ File No.: 137048-GA0001-24

Dear Mr. Myers:

This letter is the Attorney General's response to two petitions filed by you for disclosure under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.311 to 192.478. Your petitions ask the Attorney General to order the Governor's Office to disclose certain e-mails to you and to waive or greatly reduce its fees.

Any person who has been denied the right to inspect or to receive a copy of any public records of a state agency may petition the Attorney General to determine whether the records may be withheld from public disclosure. ORS 192.411(1). A person who believes there has been an unreasonable denial of a fee waiver or fee reduction may also petition the Attorney General in the same manner as when a request is denied. ORS 192.324(6). However, if the public records at issue are in the custody of an elected official, then "no petition to require disclosure may be filed with the Attorney General," and if a petition is filed, "it shall not be considered by the Attorney General * * *." ORS 192.427.

Because your petitions seek records in the custody of the Governor, an elected official, we lack jurisdiction to consider your appeals and must respectfully dismiss your petitions.

Sincerely,

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