

S T E F A N S H A R K A N S K Y

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Pat McCarthy
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Dear Ms. McCarthy:

This letter is a request for public records as per RCW 42.17. Please provide me with the following public records. For the purposes of this letter, I use the term "Recent Election" to refer to all of the special, primary and general elections conducted in Pierce County commencing with the September 14, 2004 primary election through the Feb. 7, 2006 special election, inclusive.

- 1) A table of all "active" and "inactive" voters registered in Pierce County to include for each voter, at a minimum, the voter's name, status (active or inactive), residence and mailing addresses, precinct, gender, date of birth, date of registration, and Pierce county voter id number.
- 2) A table of all voters whose registrations have been canceled in Pierce County in the last two years, to include for each voter, at a minimum, the voter's name, address, voter id, date of cancellation and reason for cancellation.
- 3) A table of all voters whose registrations in Pierce County are in the "fatal pending" status (i.e. their registration information is not complete and they are not eligible to vote), to include for each voter, at a minimum, the voter's name, address, voter id, date that the registration was assigned to "fatal pending" status and specific reason for pending status.
- 4) A table of every absentee ballot that was issued in each of the Recent Elections. As an illustration of what I am seeking, I have found that other county election databases contain this type of absentee ballot table which include the following columns:

av_election_id, election_id, voter_id, sequence, precinct_election_id, consolidation_id, party_id, ballot_type_id, category, source, label, batch_out, envelope_out, care_of, mail_street, mail_city, mail_state, mail_country, mail_zip, date_entered, date_issued, date_issued2, date_issued3, date_returned, challenged, return_source, batch, envelope, comment_id, av_election_trans_id, ltd, timestamp, orig_party_id, stub_number, verified

Please include for each absentee ballot issued, at a minimum, as many of the above columns that exist in the Pierce County database. The table should include every absentee ballot issued, whether or not returned, including those which were suspended and/or reissued

- 5) A table of every provisional ballot/envelope that was processed in Pierce County in the Recent Elections. As an illustration of what I am seeking, I have found that other county election databases contain this type of provisional ballot table which include the following columns:

voter_import_id, import_type, import_reason, import_code, update_voter, update_voter_history, election_id, consolidation_id, ballot_type_id, batch, envelope, raw_data_1, raw_data_2, voter_id, status, reason_id, affidavit, name_last, name_first, name_middle, name_prefix, name_suffix, name_last_soundex, name_first_soundex, street_id, house_number, house_fraction, pre_dir, street, type, post_dir, building_number, apartment_number, city, state, zip, care_of, mail_street, mail_city,

mail_state, mail_country, mail_zip, manual_precinct, precinct_id, gis_x, gis_y, party_id, sig_date, reg_date, reg_date_original, recieve_date, client_date, image_id, unlisted, email, source, delivery, registered_by, language, ssn, drivers_license, birth_place, birth_date, occupation, gender, military, confidential, perm_category, perm_source, date_entered, date_issued, recruitment_bypass, flag_1, flag_2, flag_3, flag_4, flag_5, comment_id, voter_import_trans_id, ltd, timestamp, cassette, frame, import_source, count_ballot, consolidation_id_voted, ballot_type_id_voted, failsafe_adjudication, vbmq_flag, race, flag_6, flag_7, flag_8, flag_9, flag_10, control_number, stub_number

Please include for each provisional ballot issued, at a minimum, as many of the above columns that exist in the Pierce County database. The table should include every provisional ballot/envelope processed, whether accepted for tabulation or rejected.

- 6) A table of all transactions performed in the last two years on Pierce County voter registration records. As an illustration of what I am seeking, I have found that other county election databases contain this type of voter registration transaction log which includes the following columns:

voter_id, voter_trans_id, field, type, before, after, trans_date, login, trans_action

Please include at a minimum, as many of the above columns that exist in the Pierce County voter transaction log. The table produced should include every information row in the county's transaction log. In the event that you assert that some of the individual data elements in the log are exempt from public disclosure, redact only those individual data elements which you claim to be exempt and also document which specific categories of data elements have been so redacted, and indicate the statute under which you claim exemption .

- 7) A table of all transactions performed in the last two years on Pierce County absentee ballot records. As an illustration of what I am seeking, I have found that other county election databases contain this type of absentee ballot transaction log which includes the following columns:

av_election_id, av_election_trans_id, field, type, before, after, trans_date, login, trans_action

Please include at a minimum, as many of the above columns that exist in the Pierce County absentee transaction log table. The table produced should include every information row in the county's transaction log. In the event that you assert that some of the individual data elements in the log are exempt from public disclosure, redact only those individual data elements which you claim to be exempt and also document which specific categories of data elements have been so redacted, and indicate the statute under which you claim exemption.

- 8) A table of all transactions performed in the last two years on Pierce County provisional ballot records. As an illustration of what I am seeking, I have found that other county election databases contain this type of provisional ballot transaction log which includes the following columns:

Voter_Import_id, Voter_Import_trans_id, field, type, before, after, trans_date, login, trans_action

Please include at a minimum, as many of the above columns that exist in the Pierce County provisional transaction log table. The table produced should include every row in the source table. In the event that you assert that some of the individual data elements in the source table are exempt from public disclosure, redact only the exempt data elements and also document which specific categories of data elements have been so redacted.

- 9) A table of voting history for every voter who was on the list of eligible voters for any of the Recent Elections including those voters who are no longer currently on the list of eligible voters. As an illustration of what I am seeking, I have found that other county election databases contain this type of provisional ballot transaction log which includes the following columns:

election_date, voted, voter_id, election_id

Please include at a minimum, as many of the above columns that exist in the Pierce County voter history table.

- 10) All reconciliation reports presented to the Pierce County Canvassing Board for all types of ballots (e.g. polling place, provisional, mail) for each of the Recent Elections
- 11) Any other records comprising the “audit trail with respect to the processing of absentee ballots” for each of the Recent Elections as required by WAC 434-250-130 (formerly WAC 434-240-270), but not already identified above.
- 12) Precinct canvasses showing how many polling place, absentee and provisional ballots were cast in each precinct and for which candidates for each of the Recent Elections.

Please provide items (1) – (9) as data files (tab-delimited text format). In the event that the Pierce County database does not include the exact tables that I have described above, or if the column names are not exactly as in the examples I provided, please provide the records that most closely match my descriptions. Please deliver all other records in electronic form, if they exist in electronic form. If any of the records were created as spreadsheets, please provide those records as spreadsheet files. In the event that any of the records in this request are available for download from the Pierce County website, please simply e-mail me the link to those records. In the interests of efficiency and completeness, if you have any questions about what I’m requesting, please ask a member of your technical staff to contact me for clarification.

Sincerely,

Stefan Sharkansky