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05/10/2006 09:54 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Court reporter

Peggy,

I spoke to the people who usually handle the EAC court reporting. They charge \$9.00 per page with an average of 40 pages per hour. This service would cost about \$1800.00.

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I can also check around for different prices.

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05/04/2006 02:39 PM

To Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV

cc dromig@eac.gov, ecortes@eac.gov

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting



Yes. Thanks. Depending on when Commissioner Davidson can spare you, we may need your help putting materials together for the Working Group (probably next week). We also will have to print name tags and place cards. If you are a good note-taker, we also will need people to take turns taking notes at the meeting. --- Peggy

Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV



Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV

05/04/2006 02:26 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting



Peggy,

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Can I help on this working group?

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Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting

Dear Commissioners:

This is to let you know that the Working Group for our Voting Fraud and Voter Intimidation preliminary research project is scheduled to meet in EAC's large conference room the afternoon of Thursday, May 18. I will provide more information about this meeting to you later.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/04/2006 10:33 AM

To Job Serebrov
cc
Subject Good News

Job:

Secretary Rokita is available May 18. I'm going to talk with the Chairman today about substituting Rogers for Norcross. Do you have contact information for Rogers? --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:24 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/04/2006 05:20 PM

To "Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>@GSAEXTERNAL
cc
Subject

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RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation 

It is just the Working Group for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project. I am asking you to attend as Technical Advisor for the project. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>



"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov
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05/04/2006 03:26 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Peg - - what is the name of the group?

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 3:13 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craig:

This meeting is being held to obtain input from our eight-member Working Group for the project. The group is composed of election lawyers, election officials, and a representative of an advocacy group, all of whom have an interest and some expertise in the identification and/or prosecution of voting fraud and voter intimidation. The group was chosen so that we would have an equal number of folks on each side of the political spectrum, plus some nonpartisan members.

After our consultants review the results of their preliminary research (interviews, literature review, case law), we will ask the Working Group to brainstorm possible next steps for EAC. Our consultants will write a report summarizing the proposals that come out of this meeting. The report will go to the Commissioners, who will decide what they want to do, funds available, and what priority to assigned to the effort(s).

Your participation in this part of the process is extremely important, so I am very happy that you can find time for us that afternoon. I'll get an agenda and other information to you next week. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/04/2006 02:32 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

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SubjectRE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay, Peg - - I will mark off the entire afternoon and try to be there. What is the agenda? I was not aware that this was anything beyond having your contractors spend another session with me. Also, if they will be needing stats and stuff like that I need to know as I will bring my state-people with me.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 2:28 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Right now, we are planning to meet in EAC's large conference room between 1 PM and 5 PM. If you cannot be there for the whole afternoon, we will appreciate whatever time you can spare. I'll get back to you with more information (agenda, list of Working Group members, etc.). --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 05:59 PM

To: psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Afternoon of May 18 -- 2:30 okay? How long will they need??

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Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wed May 03 16:59:09 2006
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

I am looking at the afternoon of 5/18 for the meeting, due to scheduling conflicts of Working Group members. There remain two members from whom we have not yet received confirmations of their schedule (with some, it is like pulling teeth), but right now 5/18 still looks like the best day. We may have to hold the meeting over here to make it easier for Commissioners to drop in.
--- Peg

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 12:53 PM

To

psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject

Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay -- you are on for May 18th! Can we do it over here at 10?

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wed May 03 12:40:19 2006
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

My problem is that agency staff is booked most of the week of 5/21. Monday through Wednesday are taken up with meetings of the Standards Board Executive Committee, the full Standards Board, and the Board of Advisors. Thursday, we have EAC's public meeting. Also, I will lose one of my two consultants in June, so I'm trying to wrap up this project (and get the final report from the consultants) by the end of May.

Say "Hi" to Cameron for me.

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"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 11:56 AM

To

psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject

Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Hi Peg. I am sitting here with Cameron Quinn putting together this year's ballt conference for AUSAs. She send her best!

I am available on 5/18. But I am also going to the Board of Advisors Meeting the following week. I would rather do this then.

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-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>

To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>

Sent: Wed May 03 11:39:50 2006

Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craig:

We are continuing our efforts to hone in on a date for the Working Group meeting. Are you available the afternoon of Thursday, May 18?

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist
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----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:24 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/12/2006 01:34 PM

To "Tova Wang" <wang@tcf.org>@GSAEXTERNAL

cc

Subject RE: Fraud Definition 

Lets raise this issue at the meeting. (I'll add "DRAFT" to the current document.) My concern is that there

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are a number of requirements in the Voting Rights Act. Not all of them are considered election fraud, when violated. For example, failure to preclear changes in election procedures is not treated as election fraud, though it is actionable. --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" <~~wang@tcf.org~~>



"Tova Wang"
<~~wang@tcf.org~~>
05/12/2006 12:45 PM

To psims@eac.gov, ~~wang@tcf.org~~, ~~wang@tcf.org~~
cc
Subject RE: Fraud Definition

Upon first reading, my only comment would be that I would like to restore "failing to follow the requirements of the Voting Rights Act"

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2006 9:20 AM
To: ~~wang@tcf.org~~; ~~sercbrow@shcglobal.net~~
Subject: Fraud Definition

Would you please take a look at the attached? I combined both of your definitions, reformatted the list, removed a reference to the fraud having to have an actual impact on the election results (because fraud can be prosecuted without proving that it actually changed the results of the election), and taken out a couple of vague examples (e.g.; reference to failing to enforce state laws --- because there may be legitimate reasons for not doing so).

I have made contact with Ben Ginsberg's office and am waiting to hear if he accepts our invitation to join the working group. --- Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
04/24/2006 12:13 PM

To "Tova Wang" <~~wang@tcf.org~~>, ~~wang@tcf.org~~
cc
Subject Re: invoice 

Tova:

The draft voucher looks fine except for two things (one of them is our fault):

(1) it appears that you worked 11 days, rather than 10, during the first two weeks; and
(2) you need to put the total dollar amount owed you (\$9,102) somewhere on the form. (Last time you put it in the box with the total hours worked this period.)

Don't forget to sign and date the voucher. Thanks.

Peggy Sims

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"Tova Wang" <[redacted]>



"Tova Wang"
[redacted]
04/24/2006 09:23 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject invoice

Hi Peg,

Can you please check this before I fax it? Thanks! And can we talk sometime today?

Tova Andrea Wang
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05/04/2006 02:10 PM

To Devon Romig

cc ecortes@eac.gov

Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting

Barry Weinberg has confirmed he can attend the afternoon of May 18. He lives in the DC area, so we won't have to worry about travel. I have contacted Pat Rogers office and left a voice mail for his assistant. Hopefully, I will hear from them this afternoon. --- Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

04/27/2006 09:23 AM

To Tova Andrea Wang

cc

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Subject Bob Bauer

We have heard from Bob Bauer regarding his availability, so we don't need to have you pursue the matter. Thanks for the offer, though. --- Peggy

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"Tova Wang"

~~twang@cf.org~~

05/09/2006 05:17 PM

To psims@eac.gov, ~~serebrov@stglobal.net~~

cc

Subject perez

I talked to Adam, and I am OK with JR Perez. I'm working on the Barbra situation.

Tova Andrea Wang

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"Job Serebrov"

~~serebrov@stglobal.net~~

05/10/2006 12:25 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Travel

Peggy:

If I am calculating it right and I believe I am, it would cost around \$450 plus my meal allowance in Virginia and Tennessee (coming and going).

All of this said, I am still a person down and there is the bed problem.

Job

--- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:24 PM ---



~~twang@cf.org~~
05/06/2006 08:28 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

002608

Are you available any days in the third week of May?
Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----
From: "Donsanto, Craig" [Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov]
Sent: 04/03/2006 03:16 PM
To: Margaret Sims
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

Hello Peg!

God willing, I will be here the first two weeks of May.

As for your second question, it is not possible for me to assess the level of public attribution that would be appropriate without seeing the substantive stuff in context. I do not foresee a problem. So, I recommend that you get me a draft text and I will review it to ensure we are not disclosing things we shouldn't disclose.

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Sent: Monday, April 03, 2006 3:13 PM
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Thanks!

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Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

Unfortunately, I have to get the Working Group together before then, so that my consultants can prepare the final report before June. (In June, I lose one of them to State employment.) In understand about the crammed schedule. This month and next are chock full.

Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>



"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov
>

04/26/2006 09:19 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

How about we meld this wit the EAC Board of Advisors meeting? I just got taged to be parliamentarian --

We could attend to your folks whike I arbitrate a food fight!!!!

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wed Apr 26 20:30:24 2006
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

Craig:

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"Job Serebrov"

~~psims@eac.gov~~

05/11/2006 03:55 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Literature Summary

Donsanto lists four types of election fraud: schemes to purposely and corruptly register voters who either do not exist, or who are known by the putative defendant to be ineligible to vote under applicable state law; schemes to cast, record or fraudulently tabulate votes for voters who do not participate in the voting act at all; schemes to corrupt the voting act of voters who do participate in the voting act to a limited extent; and, schemes to knowingly prevent voters qualified voters from voting.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> When I opened the attachment, I still had problems
> with the 4th paragraph.
> Would you please just send me that paragraph within
> the text of your
> email so that I can paste it into the document? ---
> Peggy

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> "Job Serebrov" ~~psims@eac.gov~~

> 05/11/2006 03:49 PM

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> To

> psims@eac.gov

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> Subject

> Re: Literature Summary

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Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting


Peggy sorry but I am out of town on the 18th of May. Good luck

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"Job Serebrov"

~~serebrov@sheglobe.net~~

05/09/2006 03:09 PM

To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Conference Call

Peggy:

I would like to get this travel issue sorted out between us before the call at 4pm. While the hotel problem is applicable to both Tova and me, the ground travel is not. In any case, I will want to read the federal regulation on this before we speak. Please either send me the regulation that states I must travel by the least expensive means and that all alternative travel cost can not exceed this or give me the site.

Thanks,

Job

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To "Job Serebrov"

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cc twilkey@eac.gov, jthompson@eac.gov

Subject Re: Conference Call 

Job:

I'm afraid I don't have time to look up the Federal travel regulation. I can refer to GSA Form 87, which is the Federal travel authorization form that is based on the travel regulations. There are two questions on this form that would apply to your situation:

- Question 14 asks, "Is the employee making any deviations from the authorized itinerary for personal convenience, taking any annual leave or using a different mode of transportation for personal convenience?"

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- Question 17A asks, " Will POV be used for any travel between itinerary points? (If 'Yes', check one box below and complete item 17B.)" This is followed by one check box with a statement, "Use of POV is advantageous to the government" and another check box that states, "Use of POV is not advantageous to the government. Use of POV has been determined to be for personal convenience and reimbursement limited to constructive cost of common carrier."

Line 17 B is used to note mileage rate. These provisions apply to our Commissioners, our staff, and our consultants. I understand that everyone has to make allowances for emergencies, but your emergency has not yet arrived, and may well arrive after the May 18 meeting. Furthermore, personal emergencies are considered personal matters. The government does not reimburse us for additional travel costs resulting from our need to address personal matters.

Because you are not a Federal employee and we recognize that airlines do not and hotels may not offer you government rate, we can reimburse the higher hotel rate so long as your total travel costs under the current contract do not exceed the total amount budgeted for travel reimbursement for this contract (\$3,500).

Regarding the Working Group meeting, I am pleased that you recognize that convening the Working Group is a deliverable. You also should recall that the only reason Commission staff is involved in helping to set up this meeting is that you and Tova told me that the two of you did not have the resources to do it and that it would be better to have one central coordinator (i.e.; EAC). We have repeatedly talked about holding the meeting in DC because so many of our working group members are here and because we can support the meeting at EAC offices and stay within the EAC budget.

The date for the original Working Group meeting was presented by you and Tova to me in your work plan. As you know, many of the dates in the plan had to slide because the two of you indicated that you needed more time to complete the preliminary research to be presented at the meeting. Beginning in April, our teleconferences honed in on possible weeks for the meeting. May 18 is the only day all but Norcross could attend. Norcross was available only 2 days out of the three weeks we were considering. We are attempting to fill his slot with the person you recommended, Pat Rogers.

We can discuss any remaining concerns you have regarding the participation of Perez and of Pat Rogers during this afternoon's teleconference. --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" ~~psims@eac.gov~~



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cc dromig@eac.gov

Subject Re: Working Group Meeting

Peggy:

I expect that since Norcross can't make it either you will try to get Rogers or cut one of Tova's folks.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job and Tova:
>
> As of now, the afternoon of Thursday, May 18 appears
> to be the best
> possible date for the meeting. Norcross is not
> available to attend in
> person that day (he is available only 2 days during
> the first three weeks
> of May). We won't have confirmation of the
> availability of Secretary
> Rokita until tomorrow --- but I am hopeful.
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> I'll give you an update tomorrow. Maybe we can
> schedule a teleconference
> on Monday afternoon. --- Peggy

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"Donsanto, Craig"

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04/26/2006 09:07 PM

To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

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Peg -- I'll have check. I am pretty well clogged next month.

What do you need Peg?

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 11:25 AM

To Gavin Gilmour

cc jthompson@eac.gov

Subject Fw: Working Group-Travel Costs

Can you help me respond to this ... and soon? --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov"

~~<serebrov@legislation.net>~~

05/08/2006 09:58 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Working Group-Travel Costs

Peggy:

Please tell the folks there that I am not worried about a perceived breach of contract. This is a completely ridiculous statement considering the contractual requirement that the consultants convene

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the Working Group and not the Commission and it never specifies where or when this is to take place. All this to say that while the contract does specify a Working Group meeting it does not specify that it must take place on any particular date or in a particular city. With that said, I have never heard of any federal travel requirements that would result in a loss of money because I decided to drive and not fly. In fact, that is why there is a an amount paid per mile. So I would like to see the federal regulation that forces me to take the least expensive transport and restricts all other ground transport costs to that figure.

As to hotels, based on Tova's research there are no rooms for under the \$350 range per night. If you can find hotels that are less expensive but still carry the kind of bed I need for my back (either pillow top or a number bed) please do.

The issue of my uncle---today I have not had an update on his condition. But, as I previously stated, if he were to die or have an event while I was in DC, I would have to go to NYC meeting or no meeting.

Finally, neither Tova nor I have been satisfied about Mr. Perez and I have not been told whether Pat Rogers will be coming or one of Tova's people will not be.

In the end, I need to see the travel regulation that I requested above, I would like you to look into hotels for Tova and me that have the kind of bed I need and I would like to know about Perez and Rogers. In the mean time, I should have an update on my uncle by morning. I would also be happy to talk to Julie about the issues involved. I will take you up on your offer to process my travel expenses faster and I do not and never did expect you to get me a travel advance. I worked in international development and know what a headache those are to apply for on the state level.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job:
>
> Folks here are concerned that your failure to show
> up in person to help
> conduct the meeting would be a breach of contract.
> I also am concerned
> about the impression that your absence will leave
> with the Commissioners
> and with the VIPs coming to this meeting.
>
> If you are concerned about delays in reimbursement
> caused by including the
> travel expenses in the personal services voucher, I
> can always process
> your request (with receipts) separately and earlier.

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> I can have staff
> here check to see if we can find hotel rooms at a
> more reasonable rate for
> you and Tova. (We recognize that you may not be
> able to obtain Federal
> government rate.) What I cannot do is offer a
> travel advance, which is
> not permitted for nonfederal employees, or offer to
> pay the difference
> between normal travel expenses and those incurred
> for personal
> convenience, when the latter is the higher amount.

> I urge you to make your travel arrangements ASAP.

> Peggy Sims
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> (direct)
> Fax: 202-566-3127
> email: psims@eac.gov

> "Job Serebrov" <~~psims@eac.gov~~>
> 05/08/2006 01:41 PM

> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc

> Subject
> Re: Working Group

> Given the information I have Peggy, that is not
> going
> to be financially possible. First, given Tova's info
> about the hotels, it is too much for me to front.
> Two
> to three days in DC would run around \$1000 for the
> hotel alone. That does not count the two days on the
> road to get there and two days back. Second, if I
> can't charge the federal per mile allowance for the
> entire trip to DC and back and can only get the
> equivalent of plane fare, I will actually lose
> money.

> I simply do not see how we can do this in person
> given
> the financial restrictions.

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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> > Job:
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> > I don't think we can put you on teleconference for
> > 4 1/2 hours. We really
> > need to have you here in person if you are to help
> > conduct the Working
> > Group meeting. You should make your travel
> > arrangements ASAP. --- Peggy
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov" <~~serebrov@worldnet.net~~>
> > 05/08/2006 10:14 AM
> >
> > To
> > psims@eac.gov, ~~was@eac.gov~~
> > cc
> >
> > Subject
> > Re: Working Group
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> > Peggy:
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> > 4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the
> > financial restrictions that you indicated would be
> > in
> > place for use of my car (I would actually loose
> > money
> > coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this
> > time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait
> > for
> > months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle
> > for
> > this working group meeting to take place in
> > person.
> > It
> > is looking like the only way it will get done is
> > by
> > teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about
> > the
> > unknown nature of Mr. Perez.
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> > Job
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> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> >
> > > Hi, Folks:
> > >

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> > > Teleconference
> > > Are both of you available for a teleconference
> > next
> > > Tuesday afternoon at
> > > about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you,
> > > please suggest another
> > > date and/or time. I would like to discuss our
> > > preparations for the
> > > Working Group meeting.
> > >
> > > Working Group Members
> > > We have a very good person to fill the slot for
> > the
> > > nonpartisan local
> > > election official: J.R. Perez, Elections
> > > Administrator for Guadalupe
> > > County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have
> > no
> > > objections to him. He
> > > is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to
> > Pat
> > > Rogers office, but
> > > have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have
> > any
> > > pull with him, you
> > > may want to contact him, too.
> > >
> > > Travel Arrangements
> > > You should make your own travel arrangements,
> > > including hotel. Travel
> > > time cannot be billed to the contract, except
> > for
> > > hours actually worked on
> > > the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in
> > > preparation for the meeting,
> > > and the like). Current Federal rates follow:
> > >
> > > Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include
> > > hotel taxes (if you
> > > cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable
> > > rates that are a little
> > > higher)
> > > Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that
> > it
> > is
> > > \$48 on the first and
> > > last day of travel)
> > > Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445
> > per
> > > mile
> > >
> > > Under the new contract, I do not have to fill
> > out
> > a
> > > travel authorization
> > > for you. I can approve your trip via email.
> > > Afterwards, when you turn in
> > > your next pay voucher, you can attach the
> > airline
> > > receipt (or mileage
> > > documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground

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> > > transportation receipts and a
> > > copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the
> > > total travel expenses due
>
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"Tova Wang"

~~wang@tcf.org~~

04/26/2006 05:46 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject wg

Do you want me to call both Bob too?

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"Tova Wang"

~~wang@tcf.org~~

05/11/2006 02:10 PM

To psims@eac.gov, ~~ser@brockglobal.net~~

cc

Subject RE: Literature Summary

We accidentally left it out when we emailed all the summaries

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 1:09 PM

To: ~~ser@brockglobal.net~~

Cc: wang@tcf.org

Subject: Literature Summary

Tova just sent me the summary you prepared of The Federal Crime of Election Fraud by Craig Donsanto. There is something wrong in the fourth paragraph (odd characters and missing text). Can you please send a replacement fourth paragraph? You can send it in an email and I will place it in the document. --- Peggy

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"Tova Wang"

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~~swang@...~~
05/11/2006 03:45 PM

To "Job Serebrov" ~~...~~ psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject RE: new working group representative

He is representing Barbara Arnwine, and we have already established we are not disinviting anyone. We still don't know about Ginsburg yet anyway, right?

-----Original Message-----

From: Job Serebrov [mailto:~~...~~]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 2:36 PM
To: Tova Wang; psims@eac.gov
Cc: serebrov@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: new working group representative

I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize he comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority attorney and we already have a rep who worked with DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not fill that position since I am one down.

--- Tova Wang ~~...~~ wrote:

- > is Jon Greenbaum
- >
- > Here' s his info in full:
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- > ~~http://www.lawyerscommittee.org/2005website/aboutus/staff/staffgreenbaum.htm~~
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- >
- > He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project for
- > the Lawyers Committee
- > for Civil Rights. He will be representing Barbara
- > Arnwine, the Executive
- > Director of the Lawyers Committee.
- >
- > His contact and mailing info is:
- >
- > ~~greenbaum@lawyerscommittee.org~~
- > ~~202-662-8315~~
- > 1401 New York Avenue, NW
- > Suite 400
- > Washington, DC 20005
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- > Tova Andrea Wang
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- > The Century Foundation
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- > ~~psims@eac.gov~~
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"Job Serebrov"
[REDACTED]
05/11/2006 03:49 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Literature Summary

I resent the review as you see at the bottom. When I opened it and sent it there was no corrupted text.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Do you have text to replace the corrupted text in
> paragraph 4? --- Peggy

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> "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> 05/11/2006 03:17 PM

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> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
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> Subject
> Re: Literature Summary

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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:

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> > Tova just sent me the summary you prepared of The
> > Federal Crime of
> > Election Fraud by Craig Donsanto. There is

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> > something wrong in the fourth
> > paragraph (odd characters and missing text). Can
> > you please send a
> > replacement fourth paragraph? You can send it in
> > an email and I will
> > place it in the document. --- Peggy
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05/05/2006 01:59 PM

To "J. R. Perez" <jperez@stgregbarr.net>

cc

Subject Re: Bio for Perez 

Thanks, J.R. Great to have you on board! We will get back to you shortly regarding travel arrangements. The meeting materials will be sent by Federal Express next week.

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"J. R. Perez" <jperez@stgregbarr.net>



"J. R. Perez"

05/05/2006 01:23 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Bio for Perez



bio 5_5_06.doc

Hi Peggy, it was nice talking with you today and I would be glad to try and add to the discussion. I am attaching a brief bio and will await your instructions for the travel arrangements. I look forward to receiving the current information on panel issues.

J.R. Perez
Elections Administrator
Guadalupe County

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"Weinberg and Utrecht"
<weinutr@verizon.net>
05/05/2006 12:27 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

5201 Roosevelt St.
Bethesda, MD 20814
301-493-5343

----- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov
To: weinutr@verizon.net
Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 10:56 AM
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Barry:

Would you please provide an address to which we can Federal Express materials before the meeting? ---
Peg

"Weinberg and Utrecht" <~~weinutr@verizon.net~~>

05/04/2006 01:34 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

that would be fine

----- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov
To: ~~weinutr@verizon.net~~
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 1:08 PM
Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

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Barry:

It appears that the afternoon of Thursday, May 18 is best for a meeting of the working group. I know you

said you would not be available in the morning that day. If we started at 1 PM, would that be too soon for you?

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"Job Serebrov"
<[redacted]@serebrov.net>
05/12/2006 02:52 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Working Group List

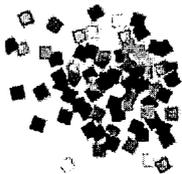
List a vacancy---to be filled. If we don't hear from Ginsberg by late afternoon please call Braden.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job:
>
> What do you suggest I do with the list of Working
> Group members. I need
> to get the Fed Ex packages out by the end of the
> day, and have not heard
> back from Ginsberg. Do you want me to list a
> vacancy, or list Norcross
> with a note that he cannot attend? If we find a
> substitute, we can always
> provide an updated list next Thursday. --- Peggy

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV
05/09/2006 04:43 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject Hotel for Job

Peggy,

A possible hotel suggestion for Job might be the Sheraton College Park in Beltsville, MD. They have room availability for the nights of the 17th and the 18th for \$159.00 a night.

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They have what is called the Sheraton Sweet Sleeper Bed. More information at:

http://www.starwoodhotels.com/promotions/promo_landing.html?category=sweet_sleeper

This hotel is a little out of the way but the members of the Asian Language Working Group and others have stayed there. The hotel does offer a shuttle to and from Reagan airport and the metro.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/12/2006 01:51 PM

To Devon Romig

cc

Subject Wang & Serebrov Fed Ex Info

Devon:

Here is the information you need for the Fed Ex forms for Job and Tova.

Tova Wang

[REDACTED]

New York, NY 10023

[REDACTED]

(Note that the package may be left with the doorman.)

Job Serebrov

[REDACTED] Spring Street

Little Rock, AR 72206

[REDACTED]

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"Tova Wang"

[REDACTED]

05/02/2006 05:52 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

OK. I'll be out of the office for the next three days, and mostly unavailable on Thursday and Friday as you know already. Tomorrow you can try me on my cell phone 917-656-7905. I'll try to check email when I can. Thanks Peg. Tova

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2006 4:41 PM

To: [REDACTED]

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Subject: RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

I hope to have a better idea tomorrow, if Rokita's office responds. If not, we'd better have a teleconference to discuss our options. --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" <[REDACTED]>

05/02/2006 05:06 PM

To dromig@eac.gov
cc psims@eac.gov
Subject RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Can you please give me an idea where we are at with all this? I'd like to be able to figure out my schedule. Thanks -- and thanks for all your assistance on this. Tova

-----Original Message-----

From: dromig@eac.gov [mailto:dromig@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2006 3:54 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Yes, I have spoken to her assistant several times but today has been the first time that I have ever spoken to her assistant. We did get the information that we needed. Thanks for your help!

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"Tova Wang"

<[REDACTED]>
04/26/2006 04:39 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc

Subject RE: interview analysis

I think I can help you at least with respect to Barbara. I'll be speaking to her today!

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

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Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2006 3:38 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: interview analysis

Thanks. We are still trying to get through to Bauer and Arnwine. They have not responded, so their availability is not yet reflected on our spreadsheet. --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" <twang@tcf.org>

04/26/2006 11:22 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]@stglobal.net>
Subject interview analysis

Hi Peg,

Attached, to add to the collection, is a summary overview of the interviews. Do you have that spreadsheet you were telling me about reflecting the times WG participants are available? If so, maybe we can talk soon? Thanks. Tova

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"Tova Wang"
<twang@tcf.org>
04/24/2006 01:49 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]@stglobal.net>
Subject last of the literature

Hi Peg,

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Here is the last summary of existing research. Please let us know how to proceed from here. Thanks.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/04/2006 05:47 PM

To: ang@tcf.org @EXTERNAL
cc
Subject: Re: wg

Tova:

Rokita is available --- so the afternoon of May 18 it is. I will not disinvite anyone. I am trying to get Job's next choice (Pat Rogers) as a replacement for Norcross.

Monday appears to be out for a teleconference because Job will be unavailable that afternoon and I am scheduled for something else that morning. I'll check my schedule tomorrow and send a message to you and Job regarding other possible days and times. --- Peggy

ang@tcf.org



ang@tcf.org
05/04/2006 05:21 PM

To: psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject: wg

Hi Peg,

Just wondering if you had any word from Rokita. Also, I wanted to let you know that I think disinviting members of the working group would be a very unwise and frankly embarrassing way of dealing with the problem of getting 100% attendance. I'm sure we'll talk before any decisions are made. As I said, I'm free on Monday. Thanks. Tova

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"Job Serebrov"
serebrov@subglobalinc.com

To

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05/12/2006 03:22 PM

psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Fraud Definition

I would give him until Monday morning but I would also call Braden today and tell him there may be an opening for him on the WG and find out whether he is free.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> I have placed another call to his office (after one
> previous call to his
> assistant and an email to him). I, too, am
> concerned about our dwindling
> chances. --- Peggy

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>

> "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>

> 05/12/2006 03:06 PM

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> To

> psims@eac.gov

> cc

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> Subject

> Re: Fraud Definition

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> Given the short time period, you may want to give
> Ginsberg a deadline. The longer we wait, the poorer
> our chances are of getting Braden.

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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:

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> > I am reluctant to invite Braden until after I have

> > received a "No" from

> > Ginsberg. --- Peg

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> > Subject

> > Re: Fraud Definition

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> > Sounds good to me. If not Ginsburg try Braden.
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> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> > > I will add "DRAFT" to the definition and, yes,
> > the
> > > WG will have
> > > suggestions. I do plan to send packets to you
> > and
> > > Tova containing the
> > > same materials being provided to the WG. I
> > haven't
> > > sent anything yet
> > > because I was hoping to finalize the WG list for
> > > inclusion. (Still
> > > waiting for a response from Ginsberg.)
> > >
> > > Regarding Tova's response, we may want to have a
> > > very short meeting after
> > > the WG disperses, followed by a teleconference
> > the
> > > following Monday
> > > afternoon. Tuesday is bad for me because I'll
> > be
> > > out of the office
> > > attending a series of EAC meetings that begin
> > that
> > > day. --- Peggy
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> > >
> > > "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > > 05/12/2006 12:52 PM
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> > > To
> > > psims@eac.gov, wang@tcf.org
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> > > Re: Fraud Definition
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> > > This is ok, given the fact that the WG may have
> > > suggestions. Will you be sending us the same
> > packets
> > > that you are sending the WG? Also, I figure
> > with
> > > Tova's response we will need to have a
> > > teleconference
> > > on the report once I return to Little Rock. We

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Case Summaries.doc Peggy:

Please add this to the packet.

Job

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"Job Serebrov"
<[redacted]@starglobal.net>
05/10/2006 11:51 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Update

The bed is not what I need and Beltsville is a bit far out.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Why is the hotel suggestion not workable? (I need
> to know as we continue
> our search.) -- Peg
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>
> "Job Serebrov" <[redacted]@starglobal.net>
> 05/10/2006 10:29 AM
>
> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
>
> Subject
> Update
>
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>
> Peggy:
>
> Pat just e-mailed me. He has something he can't move
> on the 18th. So I am now down one person and still
> no
> good hotel situation. Devon's suggestion is not
> workable.
>
> Job
>
>
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 04:09 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

~~serebrov@sbcglobal.net~~ @CSAEXTERNAL

cc wang@taiborg

Subject Re: new working group representative

According to the Commissioners, you and Tova each got to pick three members of the Working Group. The Commission guidance regarding this particular member follows:

4 people from the Academic, Legal and Advocacy sectors - 2 to be chosen by Tova and 2 to be chosen by Job.

This issue of allowing a designee relates to Tova's pick.

As I understand it, we are working on a replacement for Norcross. If Ginsberg is not viable, how about Mark Braden, who includes public integrity in his areas of specialization. I would not try and stir up other members of the Working Group, if I were you. The effort is likely to come back and bite you.

"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>



"Job Serebrov"

~~serebrov@sbcglobal.net~~

05/11/2006 03:53 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: new working group representative

I really don't care if he represents the organization or not. What mixed race? The entire discussion was because Arnwine was African-American. If you are going to invite him without first having a replacement for my side, I may have to call Thor and Todd and discuss all of this.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Greenbaum is representing Arnwine, not replacing
> her. He works for her
> organization and is of mixed race. --- Peggy

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> "Job Serebrov" <~~serebrov@sbcglobal.net~~>
> 05/11/2006 03:36 PM

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> To
> "Tova Wang" <~~wang@taiborg~~> psims@eac.gov
> cc

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Thomas R. Wilkey/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 10:29 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Re: Fw: Court Reporter for Working Group Meeting 

Yes, please let Joyce know and she will get someone
Tom

Thomas R. Wilkey
Executive Director
US Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Ave, NW - Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 566-3109 phone
TWilkey@eac.gov
Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 10:26 AM

To twilkey@eac.gov

cc DScott@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Fw: Court Reporter for Working Group Meeting

Tom:

I understand that EAC hired a court reporter for the Asian Language Working Group meeting. I would like to do the same for the May 18 Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group meeting, but I did not include funds in my budget for this service. Do we have funds that could be used for this purpose? (See Devon's cost estimate below.) --- Peggy

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 09:54 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Court reporter

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Peggy,

I spoke to the people who usually handle the EAC court reporting. They charge \$9.00 per page with an average of 40 pages per hour. This service would cost about \$1800.00.

The turn around time for the transcript is 10 to 15 days. The transcripts comes in a bound paper copy and an electronic copy.

I can also check around for different prices.

Devon Romig
United States Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Ave. NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
202.566.2377 phone
202.566.3128 fax
www.eac.gov

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"Job Serebrov"

~~<serebrov@sbcglobal.net>~~

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To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Fwd: RE: Working Group meeting

FYI

--- "Patrick J. Rogers" <patrogers@modrall.com> wrote:

> Subject: RE: Working Group meeting
> Date: Tue, 9 May 2006 07:42:44 -0600
> From: "Patrick J. Rogers" <patrogers@modrall.com>
> To: "Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>
>
> Job---maybe. I will call you and/or Ms. Sims
> tomorrow. Depositions all
> day today. Thanks, Pat
>
> What's the best number to call you tomorrow?
>
>
> Patrick J. Rogers
> Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A.

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> P.O. Box 2168
> Albuquerque, NM 87103-2168
> T [REDACTED]
> F [REDACTED]

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Job Serebrov [REDACTED]
> Sent: Monday, May 08, 2006 9:41 PM
> To: Patrick J. Rogers
> Subject: Working Group meeting

> Pat:

> The working group meeting for the voter fraud
> project is scheduled for
> May 18th in DC but David Norcross can't attend.
> Could you come? If so,
> we need to arrange travel and a hotel for you.

> Regards,

> Job

> Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A.
>

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> corrected. Thank you.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

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To Serebrov

cc

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Subject Fw: Working Group-Perez

This is the original email with the attachment. If you still don't see the attachment on your end, I can excerpt the content and send it in email text. --- Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 11:13 AM

To "Job Serebrov"

cc [REDACTED]

Subject Re: Working Group-Perez 

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Any experienced Texas election official will be familiar with voting fraud and voter intimidation schemes used in that State. Mr. Perez has over 13 years experience as a county Election Administrator in Texas. You won't find many news articles mentioning him because he has kept his nose clean. (The Texas press, as in many other parts of the country, prefers to report bad news.) Mr. Perez is plugged into the association of Texas election officials and the two largest organizations of election officials in this country: the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers (IACREOT); and The Election Center. He is a past President and past Chairman of the Legislative Committee for the Texas Association of Election Administrators. He currently serves on IACREOT's Election Officials Committee, which plans the educational sessions for election officials that are conducted at that organization's conferences. His peers in IACREOT and The Election Center have selected his submissions on web presentations (IACREOT) and his professional practices papers (Election Center) for awards. Mr. Perez also has access to information from other States through his membership in IACREOT and The Election Center. He also has a sense of humor, which you will note if you access the staff web page on the Guadalupe County Elections web site and hear the Mission Impossible theme .. something that might be useful in the upcoming meeting.

Guadalupe County is small but growing. In 2004, the county had over 65 thousand registered voters (a number more than doubled the number of registered voters in 1988). A third of the county's population claims Hispanic or Latino origin, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The county is in south central Texas and is bordered by Comal, Hays, Cladwell, Gonzales, Wilson, and Bexar counties. In the 1980s, the county was predominately a farming community; but in recent years, many people have moved from San Antonio (Bexar County) to Guadalupe County, preferring to live in Guadalupe County and work in Bexar County.

--- Peggy



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"Job Serebrov" [redacted]



"Job Serebrov"
[redacted]
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To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Working Group

Peggy:

What political party is Perez with? How political is he? Is the position in Texas neutral or political? Who appointed Perez?

As to Pat I will contact him but I can't promise anything. If Pat can't come, who is getting knocked off Tova's list?

Job

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:23 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
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To Tova Andrea Wang
cc
Subject Fw: Case Summaries

Had you seen this? --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov"
[redacted]
05/08/2006 09:30 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Case Summaries



Case Summaries.doc Peggy:

Please add this to the packet.

Job

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"Job Serebrov"

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05/11/2006 10:16 AM

To psims@eac.gov,
cc
Subject Re: Today's Teleconference

The teleconference is on. However, I am still one person down for the meeting and I am not comfortable. This will have to be discussed since from the start it was agreed that the WG would be equal and if I lost a person Tova would have to loose one. Further and most importantly, I don't yet have a hotel so my attendance is still up in the air. Finally, the agenda is not what we discussed and gives far too much time for areas that can be covered in a short time. Not listed are all of the questions that Tova's proposed agenda had. All in all, it needs to be redone.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> I assume that we are still on for today's
> teleconference at 11 AM EST. I
> will call you. I have attached a draft agenda for
> your review and
> comment. --- Peggy
>
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Diana Scott/EAC/GOV

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To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc dromig@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC,
Edgardo Cortes/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Re: Working Group Travel

I have given Adventure Travel the necessary credit card authorization on this. Devon please follow-up with the reservations etc.

Diana M. Scott
Administrative Officer
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
(202) 566-3100 (office)
(202) 566-3127 (fax)
dscott@eac.gov

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/05/2006 05:34 PM

To DScott@eac.gov

cc Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC, dromig@eac.gov

Subject Working Group Travel

Diana:

The following members of the Working Group for our Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation research project will need to make travel arrangements in order to attend an afternoon meeting of the group on May 18 in Washington, DC:

Mark "Thor" Hearne - St Louis, MO

J.R. Perez - Seguin, TX

The Honorable Todd Rokita - Indianapolis, IN

Kathy Rogers - Atlanta, GA

I may have one additional member from Albuquerque, NM confirmed early next week.

May these people use Adventure Travel to make these arrangements in the same manner as the Asian Language Working Group? I understand the members of that group made hotel and flight arrangements through Adventure Travel and that these costs were billed directly to EAC. We did plan for EAC to pay for the travel of the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Working Group (budgeted under Research). Devon will prepare their travel authorizations.

Peggy Sims

Election Research Specialist

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"Tova Wang"

~~wang@tcf.org~~

05/08/2006 10:18 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Working Group

I am more than happy to attend in person

-----Original Message-----

From: Job Serebrov [mailto:~~jserebrov@tcf.org~~]

Sent: Monday, May 08, 2006 9:15 AM

To: psims@eac.gov; wang@tcf.org

Subject: Re: Working Group

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Peggy:

4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the financial restrictions that you indicated would be in place for use of my car (I would actually loose money coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait for months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle for this working group meeting to take place in person. It is looking like the only way it will get done is by teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about the unknown nature of Mr. Perez.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Hi, Folks:
>
> Teleconference
> Are both of you available for a teleconference next
> Tuesday afternoon at
> about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you,
> please suggest another
> date and/or time. I would like to discuss our
> preparations for the
> Working Group meeting.
>
> Working Group Members
> We have a very good person to fill the slot for the nonpartisan local
> election official: J.R. Perez, Elections
> Administrator for Guadalupe
> County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have no
> objections to him. He
> is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat
> Rogers office, but
> have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have any
> pull with him, you
> may want to contact him, too.
>
> Travel Arrangements
> You should make your own travel arrangements,
> including hotel. Travel
> time cannot be billed to the contract, except for
> hours actually worked on
> the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in
> preparation for the meeting,
> and the like). Current Federal rates follow:
>
> Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include
> hotel taxes (if you
> cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable
> rates that are a little
> higher)
> Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that it is
> \$48 on the first and
> last day of travel)
> Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445 per
> mile
>
> Under the new contract, I do not have to fill out a

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> travel authorization
> for you. I can approve your trip via email.
> Afterwards, when you turn in
> your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline
> receipt (or mileage
> documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground
> transportation receipts and a
> copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the
> total travel expenses due
> you, including applicable per diem. I do not need
> meal receipts.
>
> Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations
> for personal reasons are
> not normally accommodated. What you can do,
> however, is to give me a
> comparison of the cost of roundtrip mileage, hotel,
> and per diem of doing
> it your way against the cost of a roundtrip flight,
> ground transportation,
> hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it
> should be no problem to
> cover the full cost. If your way is more expensive,
> we may only pay up to
> the amount of traditional travel. (The same rules
> apply to me when I
> travel.) If you can tell me where, other than DC,
> you will spend the
> night, I can check on applicable per diem rates.
>
> Peggy
>
>

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"Job Serebrov"

~~serebrov@sec.state.gov~~

05/10/2006 03:03 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Option

Peggy:

I may have the only option left but it is a risk time wise. I could stay at the Baymont in Salem by Roanoke and then leave early that morning and drive into DC or to a park and ride (Metro). I would make it before 12:00 barring any unforeseen road issues. However, I would have to leave to go home right after the meeting. That would cancel the next day's meeting.

Job

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I need to run to West Little Rock so you can get me on my cell if you want to talk.

501-626-0440

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:22 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/12/2006 02:46 PM

To Job Serebrov

cc

Subject Working Group List

Job:

What do you suggest I do with the list of Working Group members. I need to get the Fed Ex packages out by the end of the day, and have not heard back from Ginsberg. Do you want me to list a vacancy, or list Norcross with a note that he cannot attend? If we find a substitute, we can always provide an updated list next Thursday. --- Peggy

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"Tova Wang"

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

05/11/2006 04:25 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Material I may not have included



news article review

.-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 3:23 PM

To: ~~wang@eac.gov~~

Subject: Re: Material I may not have included

Would these go under literature review or news article review? --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

05/10/2006 11:45 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ dromig@eac.gov

Subject Material I may not have included

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selected Perez are Republicans. If the shoe were on the other foot I would be uncomfortable. This one is up to Tova to call but I am not sure that he can be neutral.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> OK, I get it. The text in the attachment follows:
>
> EXCERPTS FROM TEXAS ELECTION CODE
>
> SUBCHAPTER B. COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR
>
> ***
>
> § 31.032. APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR; COUNTY
> ELECTION COMMISSION.
> (a) The position of county elections
> administrator is filled by
> appointment of the county election commission, which
> consists of:
> (1) the county judge, as chair;
> (2) the county clerk, as vice
> chair;
> (3) the county tax
> assessor-collector, as secretary; and
> (4) the county chair of each
> political party that made
> nominations by primary election for the last general
> election for state
> and county officers preceding the date of the
> meeting at which the
> appointment is made.
> (b) The affirmative vote of a majority of
> the commission's
> membership is necessary for the appointment of an
> administrator.
> (c) Each appointment must be evidenced by a
> written resolution or
> order signed by the number of commission members
> necessary to make the
> appointment. Not later than the third day after the
> date an administrator
> is appointed, the officer who presided at the
> meeting shall file a signed
> copy of the resolution or order with the county
> clerk. Not later than the
> third day after the date the copy is filed, the
> county clerk shall deliver
> a certified copy of the resolution or order to the
> secretary of state.
> (d) The initial appointment may be made at
> any time after the
> adoption of the order creating the position.
>
> ***
>
> § 31.035. RESTRICTIONS ON POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.
> (a) A county elections administrator may
> not be a candidate for a
> public office or an office of a political party,

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> hold a public office, or
> hold an office of or position in a political party.
> At the time an
> administrator becomes a candidate or accepts an
> office or position in
> violation of this subsection, the administrator
> vacates the position of
> administrator.
> (b) A county elections administrator
> commits an offense if the
> administrator makes a political contribution or
> political expenditure, as
> defined by the law regulating political funds and
> campaigns, or publicly
> supports or opposes a candidate for public office or
> a measure to be voted
> on at an election. An offense under this subsection
> is a Class A
> misdemeanor. On a final conviction, the
> administrator's employment is
> terminated, and the person convicted is ineligible
> for future appointment
> as county elections administrator.

> "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> 05/09/2006 11:38 AM

> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
> Subject
> Re: Working Group-Perez

> The code attachment did not work that is what I
> meant
> by it did not come through.

> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
>
> > Did you look at the attached excerpts from Texas
> > Code? --- Peggy
> >
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> >

> > "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > 05/09/2006 11:23 AM
> >
> > To
> > psims@eac.gov
> > cc

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> > wang@tcf.org
> > Subject
> > Re: Working Group-Perez
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> >
> > We have the same set-up here in Arkansas. We hired
> a
> > person just like Perez. However, given this, I
> would
> > still like to know if he has a party affiliation
> and
> > this brings up another issue. How is the county
> > election commission chosen. In Arkansas it is the
> > Chairmen of the Republican and Democrat Parties or
> > if
> > he/she does not want to serve a person is elected
> in
> > his/her stead and a third member picked by the
> party
> > with the most constitutional officers. Practically
> > that has meant that the Democrats have controlled
> > election commissions in Arkansas since the end of
> > Reconstruction. This is why I want to know the
> > situation in Texas.
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> >
> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> > > As you may recall, the Commissioners directed me
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> > > a nonpartisan manner. (See attached excerpts
> from
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> > > regarding election administrator hiring and

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> > > restrictions on partisan
> > > activity.)
> > > Any experienced Texas election official will be
> > > familiar with voting fraud
> > > and voter intimidation schemes used in that
> State.
> >
> > > Mr. Perez has over 13
> > > years experience as a county Election
> > Administrator
> > > in Texas. You won't
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> he
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> > organizations
> > > of election officials
> > > in this country: the International Association
> of
> > > Clerks, Recorders,
> > > Election Officials and Treasurers (IACREOT); and
>
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"Tova Wang"

05/11/2006 01:59 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: research summaries

Job did this one

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 12:56 PM

To: [redacted]

Subject: Re: research summaries

Something is wrong in the fourth paragraph of the Federal Election Crime summary. Do you know what it is supposed to say there?

"Tova Wang" [redacted]

05/11/2006 01:30 PM

To psims@eac.gov, dromig@eac.gov

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cc
Subject research summaries

I have the feeling we didn't include these in the original batch I sent you. Could you double check and if not, would you please include them in the existing research materials? Sorry and thanks. I'm kind of doing all of this on my own in case you couldn't tell. List is coming...

Tova Andrea Wang
Democracy Fellow
The Century Foundation
41 East 70th Street - New York, NY 10021



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To Job Serebrov, Tova Andrea Wang

cc

Subject Rev Agenda for Working Group Meeting



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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 02:48 PM

To Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV

cc

Subject Fw: Working Group-Perez

Adam:

J.R. Perez's resume is attached, and I have forwarded my last explanatory email to Job in answer to his concerns. I will tell Tova not to contact Ray, but that she may talk with you about this issue. Thanks! ---
Peggy



Perez bio 5_5_06.doc

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 11:13 AM

To "Job Serebrov"
<[REDACTED]@[REDACTED].[REDACTED]>
cc [REDACTED]
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--- Peggy



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"Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]@[REDACTED].[REDACTED]>



"Job Serebrov"

05/08/2006 11:30 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Working Group

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Peggy:

What political party is Perez with? How political is he? Is the position in Texas neutral or political? Who appointed Perez?

As to Pat I will contact him but I can't promise anything. If Pat can't come, who is getting knocked off Tova's list?

Job

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:22 PM -----



"Job Serebrov"

<[redacted]@eac.gov>

05/11/2006 04:35 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: new working group representative

Peggy:

Braden is ok also with me but please don't tell me not to "stir up" things. I assure you nothing will come back to bite me. I know these people well enough to say they will also want a balanced group. In fact, one of them was very unhappy with Tova's folks.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

- > According to the Commissioners, you and Tova each
- > got to pick three
- > members of the Working Group. The Commission
- > guidance regarding this
- > particular member follows:
- >
- > 4 people from the Academic, Legal and Advocacy
- > sectors - 2 to be chosen by
- > Tova and 2 to be chosen by Job.
- >
- > This issue of allowing a designee relates to Tova's
- > pick.
- >
- > As I understand it, we are working on a replacement
- > for Norcross. If
- > Ginsberg is not viable, how about Mark Braden, who
- > includes public
- > integrity in his areas of specialization. I would
- > not try and stir up

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> other members of the Working Group, if I were you.
> The effort is likely
> to come back and bite you.

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> "Job Serebrov" <~~serebrov@spcglobal.net~~>
> 05/11/2006 03:53 PM

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> To

> psims@eac.gov

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> Subject

> Re: new working group representative

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>> I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize
>> he
>> comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority
>> attorney and we already have a rep who worked with

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> > DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not
> > fill
> > that position since I am one down.

> > --- Tova Wang <[REDACTED]> wrote:
> >

> > > is Jon Greenbaum

> > > Here' s his info in full:

> > >
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> > > <http://www.lawyerscommittee.org/2005website/aboutus/staff/staffgreenbaum.htm>

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> > > He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project
> > > for

> > > the Lawyers Committee
> > > for Civil Rights. He will be representing
> > > Barbara

> > > Arnwine, the Executive
> > > Director of the Lawyers Committee.

> > > His contact and mailing info is:

> > > j. [REDACTED]
> > > [REDACTED]

> > > 1401 New York Avenue, NW
> > > Suite 400
> > > Washington, DC 20005

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> > > Tova Andrea Wang
> > > Democracy Fellow
> > > The Century Foundation
> > > 41 East 70th Street - New York, NY 10021
> > > [REDACTED] Fax: [REDACTED]

> > > Visit our Web site, <http://www.votef.org/>
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 03:54 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

<[REDACTED]@GSAEXTERNAL

cc

Subject Re: Literature Summary 

When I opened the attachment, I still had problems with the 4th paragraph. Would you please just send me that paragraph within the text of your email so that I can paste it into the document? --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>



"Job Serebrov"

<[REDACTED]@sbcglobal.net>

05/11/2006 03:49 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Literature Summary

I resent the review as you see at the bottom. When I opened it and sent it there was no corrupted text.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Do you have text to replace the corrupted text in
> paragraph 4? --- Peggy

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> psims@eac.gov

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> Subject

> Re: Literature Summary

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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:

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> > Tova just sent me the summary you prepared of The
> > Federal Crime of
> > Election Fraud by Craig Donsanto. There is
> > something wrong in the fourth
> > paragraph (odd characters and missing text). Can
> > you please send a
> > replacement fourth paragraph? You can send it in
> > an email and I will
> > place it in the document. --- Peggy
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"Job Serebrov"

~~psims@eac.gov~~

04/24/2006 12:41 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Voucher

Ok. Thanks

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job:
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> I've signed and submitted your voucher. I had to
> correct the contract
> date. (It is 2/26/06, not 4/22/06.) Everything
> else looked great. ---
> Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 02:51 PM

To "Tova Wang" <~~twang@eac.gov~~>

cc Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject RE: Working Group-Perez

We are still on for 4 PM. Ray is out of the office due to a family emergency, so I suggest you NOT contact him. You may contact his Special Assistant, Adam Ambrogi (aambrogi@eac.gov or 202-566-3105), who also hails from Texas. --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" <~~twang@eac.gov~~>



"Tova Wang"

~~twang@eac.gov~~

05/09/2006 12:08 PM

To psims@eac.gov, ~~twang@eac.gov~~

cc

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Subject RE: Working Group-Perez

We are still doing the 4 pm call, right? We can discuss it more then. Would it be OK if I see if Ray knows this person? Thanks. Tova

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2006 10:14 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Working Group-Perez

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--- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@socialnet>

05/08/2006 11:30 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Working Group

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/12/2006 10:10 AM

To bginsberg@pattonboggs.com

cc

Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group

Dear Mr. Ginsberg:

This is to confirm my call to your office this morning inviting you to be a member of and attend the upcoming meeting of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission's (EAC) Working Group on Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation. The meeting is scheduled to take place from 1:00 PM to 5:30 PM on Thursday, May 18th, 2006 at the offices of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC), 1225 New York Avenue, NW, 11th Floor, Washington, DC.

Section 241 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) requires EAC to conduct research on election administration issues. Among the tasks listed in the statute are the development of:

- nationwide statistics and methods of identifying, deterring, and investigating voting fraud in elections for Federal office [section 241(b)(6)]; and
- methods of identifying, deterring, and investigating methods of voter intimidation [section 241(b)(7)].

EAC's Board of Advisors recommended that the agency make research on these matters a high priority. Subsequently, the Commission contracted with two consultants (Job Serebrov and Tova Wang) to:

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- develop a comprehensive description of what constitutes voting fraud and voter intimidation in the context of Federal elections;
- perform background research (including Federal and State administrative and case law review), identify current activities of key government agencies, civic and advocacy organizations regarding these topics, and deliver a summary of this research and all source documentation;
- establish a project working group, in consultation with EAC, composed of key individuals and representatives of organizations knowledgeable about the topics of voting fraud and voter intimidation;
- provide the description of what constitutes voting fraud and voter intimidation, and the results of the preliminary research to the working group, and convene the working group to discuss potential avenues for future EAC research on this topic; and
- produce a report to EAC summarizing the findings of the preliminary research effort and working group deliberations that includes recommendations for future research, if any;

We strive to include bipartisan representation on the Working Group associated with this project. You were recommended for this project by our Republican consultant, Job Serebrov. Your ideas for possible EAC activities related to this topic will help the agency as it plans future actions to meet its HAVA responsibilities.

If you can find the time in your busy schedule to participate, I will have an information packet delivered to your office by COB, Monday, May 15. Please let me know if you are available. Thank you.

Regards,

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 09:25 AM

To "Tova Wang" @SSAEXTERNAL

cc

Subject Re: arnwine 

I'm checking on this. Will get back to you as soon as I have more info. --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" 



"Tova Wang"


05/09/2006 05:28 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject arnwine

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She definitely cannot do it. Would you please find out if Wade Henderson would be possible? Now its my turn to be upset!!! Thanks.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
04/30/2007 06:28 PM

To eaccon@eac.gov
cc
bcc
Subject Vote Fraud Study-Archived Email Part 2

Here is the second batch of my archived email related to the vote fraud study.

Peg Sims

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Aletha
Barrington/CONTRACTOR/E
AC/GOV
04/19/2006 01:09 PM

To [REDACTED]
cc Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Voting fraud/Voter intimidation

Good afternoon:

I like to introduce myself, I am Aletha Barrington, the new Contract Assistant, I will be replacing Nicole Mortellito. You may address any questions regarding the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Contract to me as well as cc all monthly reports. Thank you and I look forward to working with you!

Aletha Barrington

[REDACTED]

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
04/17/2006 04:33 PM

To Sarah Ball Johnson
cc serebrov@sbcglobal.net, wang@tcf.org, ecortes@eac.gov
Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06

Hi, Sarah:

Thank you for agreeing to be interviewed on Wednesday, April 19, by the consultants for EAC's initial research on voting fraud and voter intimidation, **Job Serebrov and Tova Wang**. Our consultants are conducting interviews as part of preliminary research to determine how EAC may best meet the requirements of Section 241(b)6 and 7 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002. As you may recall, Section 241 requires EAC to conduct research on election administration issues, including the development of:

- nationwide statistics and methods of identifying, deterring, and investigating voting fraud in elections for Federal office; and
- methods of identifying, deterring, and investigating methods of voter intimidation.

This is what I need you (and the Secretary, if he is available) to do:

- At approximately 11 AM EST on April 19, call 1-866-222-9044.
- At the prompt for the pass code, enter 62209.

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Tova and Job will join you on the line. We have arranged for the line to be open for an hour, with 10 minutes extra on the front end (for folks who have not synchronized their watches).

You mentioned that Secretary Grayson may be using a cell phone. Our teleconference provider has given us the following information regarding the use of cell phones during the teleconference:

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If you have any problems accessing the teleconference, please call Edgardo Cortés. You can reach him at 1-866-747-1471 (toll-free) or 202-566-3126. He can contact our service provider to correct any problems. (I will be on my way to Seattle and unable to help.)

Thanks, again!

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"Tova Wang"

~~psims@eac.gov~~

04/17/2006 01:34 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Interviews

Actually, 11 EST would be better. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, April 17, 2006 10:49 AM

To: ~~psims@eac.gov~~

Subject: Interviews

I know you preferred Friday, but Job is not available then. He also said he is not available next week. Do you have any time available this Wednesday? --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

04/17/2006 11:06 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Follow up Donsanto and KY Interviews

I can't do it Friday but Wednesday is ok.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Tova and Job:
>
> I've passed Tova's request on to Craig.
>
> Also, Sarah Ball Johnson, KY, finally called back
> to say she would be
> available Wednesday through Friday this week and
> next week for the
> interview. Which day and time is best for you and
> Job?

> --- Peggy

> [REDACTED]
> psims@eac.gov
> 04/16/2006 11:39 AM

> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
> "Tova Wang" <[REDACTED]>
> Subject
> donsanto again

> Hi Peg,

> Happy Easter!

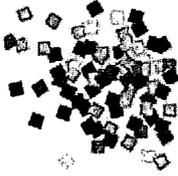
> Would it be possible to talk to Mr. Donsanto about
> this latest initiative,
> or somehow get more information? Thanks. Tova

> <http://www.fbi.gov/page2/april06/electioncrime041406.htm>

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

04/19/2006 12:24 PM

To Rivers@BlankRome.com

cc Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Ms. Rivers,

My name is Devon Romig and I am writing to you on behalf of the Election Assistance Commission. I believe that you have been contacted previously by our consultant Job Serebrov about the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group that we are organizing.

We are in the process of setting a date for this event and we would appreciate any suggestions that you may contribute based upon Mr. Norcross's availability in the month of May. The proposed dates are May 1,2,3,8,9,10,11,12,15,16,17,18,19. The meeting will only last for one day. Please let me know any and all of the listed dates that will work with Mr. Norcross's schedule.

Also, I tried to contact you by phone but I received a disconnected notification. Could you please provide me with you most current contact information?

Feel free to call or email me with any questions.

Thanks!

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"Tova Wang"

~~REDACTED~~

04/20/2006 10:58 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc DRomig@eac.gov

Subject wg meeting

Hi Peg,

I think I might have told you only that I am unavailable on the 5th. I'm actually unavailable on the 4th as well. Any news on this front? We should also arrange a conference call next week about preparing for the meeting, don't you think? Thanks Tova

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"Tova Wang"

~~swang@tcf.org~~
04/21/2006 12:18 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc

Subject existing research summaries 3 (final)

Peg, I hope we will be able to review the binders you put together before they get sent out. Thanks. Just one more research summary to come Monday. Tova

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"Tova Wang"

~~swang@tcf.org~~
04/21/2006 11:03 AM

To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov" ~~jserebrov@theolab.net~~
cc

Subject wg materials

I will now begin sending several emails with material for the working group meeting. Peg, we still have not heard back from you on whether you like the agenda. I have attached it again. With respect to the interview and research summaries, would you both please review them to make sure there are no glaring mistakes?

Are we going on a hiatus next week? I'm a little confused about what happens from here. Tova

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"Tova Wang"

~~<wang@tcf.org>~~

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To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov" ~~<serebrov@ssregisball.net>~~

cc

Subject interview summaries 4 (final)

Please also double check that I have not left any out. Thanks.

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"Johnson, Sarah Ball (SBE)"

<SarahBall.Johnson@ky.gov

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04/18/2006 04:02 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06

Peggy,

I am attaching a link to a recent book published by a Kentucky History Professor, Tracy Campbell, which details voter fraud on state and national level. It is very interesting reading.

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/078671591X/sr=8-1/qid=1145390029/ref=pd_bbs_1/103-8923253-6647806?%5Fencoding=UTF8

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Sent: Monday, April 17, 2006 4:34 PM
To: Johnson, Sarah Ball (SBE)
Cc: ~~seal@sbeglobal.net~~, wang@tcr.org, scortes@eac.gov
Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06

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Thanks, again!

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"Tova Wang"
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To psims@eac.gov, "John Serebrov" <[redacted]@sbglaball.net>
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To "Johnson, Sarah Ball (SBE)"
<SarahBall.Johnson@ky.gov>@GSAEXTERNAL
cc
Subject RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06

Sarah:

Thank you. I have not reviewed this myself, so I really appreciate the link. Professor Campbell was among the people interviewed by our consultants.

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>
04/18/2006 04:02 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06

Peggy,

I am attaching a link to a recent book published by a Kentucky History Professor, Tracy Campbell, which details voter fraud on state and national level. It is very interesting reading.

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/078671591X/sr=8-1/qid=1145390029/ref=pd_bbs_1/1103-8923253-6647806?%5Fencoding=UTF8

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To Job Serebrov, Tova Andrea Wang

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cc
Subject Conference Call This Afternoon

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"Tova Wang"
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To "Job Serebrov" [redacted], "Tova Andrea Wang" [redacted]
cc
Subject Recent email from Aletha Barrington

Please ignore the message sent to you today by Aletha Barrington. It was sent in error. As COR for this project, I remain your primary contact. Thanks.
Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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"Tova Wang"

~~wang@century.org~~

04/21/2006 12:16 PM

To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov" ~~serebrov@eac.gov~~

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To Edgardo Cortes/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc Bola Olu/EAC/GOV@EAC, Devon E.

Romig/EAC/GOV@EAC, Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06



I have just forwarded to you the Feb 3 email I sent to EAC Staff.

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04/18/2006 10:13 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC, Diana
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cc Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06


What is the contact info for our conference call provider in case we run into trouble at the start of the call? Nicole used to handle conference calls and I am not sure who I would speak to in that instance. Please let me know. Thanks.

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To sarahball.johnson@ky.gov
cc serebrov@sbcglobal.net, wang@tcf.org, ecortes@eac.gov
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To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov" <[redacted]>
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Part 1. I'm going to try not to overload

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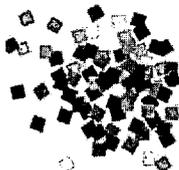
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Yes but it needs to go no longer then 30 mins

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV
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To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject Re: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Yes, she is the assistant to David A. Norcross and she is unavailable until Monday. I spoke with the woman who is filling in for her this week and she does not have access to Mr. Norcross's schedule.

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
04/19/2006 03:27 PM

To Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject Re: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Was this message sent to someone's assistant? We have noone named Rivers on our working group.
Peggy

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Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld
Devon E. Romig

From: Devon E. Romig
Sent: 04/19/2006 12:24 PM
To: Rivers@BlankRome.com
Cc: Margaret Sims
Subject: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Ms. Rivers,

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"Tova Wang"

~~_____@f50g~~
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To psims@eac.gov, ~~_____@stglobal.net~~

cc

Subject RE: Conference Call This Afternoon

yes

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, April 17, 2006 11:38 AM

To: ~~serebrov@stglobal.net; tova.wang@f50g~~

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Subject interview with Doug Webber -- correct version

I sent the wrong version! Please use this one.

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And there will be one more forthcoming next week.

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To Diana Scott
cc
Subject Teleconference Requested

Diana:

This is just to let you know that I have requested a teleconference on Wednesday, April 19, from 11 AM to Noon EST. I asked for 6 lines to accommodate our research consultants and the folks that they will be interviewing for our Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation project.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist

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"Tova Wang"
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To psims@eac.gov
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Subject RE: Interviews

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Noon EST

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2006 10:49 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Interviews

I know you preferred Friday, but Job is not available then. He also said he is not available next week. Do you have any time available this Wednesday? --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

04/17/2006 11:06 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Follow up Donsanto and KY Interviews

I can't do it Friday but Wednesday is ok.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

- > Tova and Job:
- >
- > I've passed Tova's request on to Craig.
- >
- > Also, Sarah Ball Johnson, KY, finally called back
- > to say she would be
- > available Wednesday through Friday this week and
- > next week for the
- > interview. Which day and time is best for you and
- > Job?

> --- Peggy

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> [REDACTED]
> 04/16/2006 11:39 AM

- >
- > To
- > psims@eac.gov
- > cc
- > "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

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> Subject
> donsanto again
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>
> Hi Peg,
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> Happy Easter!
>
> Would it be possible to talk to Mr. Donsanto about
> this latest initiative,
> or somehow get more information? Thanks. Tova
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>
<http://www.fbi.gov/page2/april06/electioncrime041406.htm>
>

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"Tova Wang"
<[REDACTED]>
04/17/2006 04:53 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]
cc
Subject interview analysis

Tova Andrea Wang
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"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>
>
05/03/2006 11:56 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Hi Peg. I am sitting here with Cameron Quinn putting together this year's

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ballt conference for AUSAs. She send her best!

I am available on 5/18. But I am also going to the Board of Advisors Meeting the following week. I would rather do this then.

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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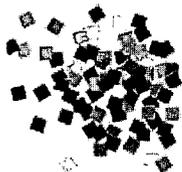
From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wed May 03 11:39:50 2006
Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craig:

We are continuing our efforts to hone in on a date for the Working Group meeting. Are you available the afternoon of Thursday, May 18?

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist
U.S. Election Assistance Commission

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 09:54 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Court reporter

Peggy,

I spoke to the people who usually handle the EAC court reporting. They charge \$9.00 per page with an average of 40 pages per hour. This service would cost about \$1800.00.

The turn around time for the transcript is 10 to 15 days. The transcripts comes in a bound paper copy and an electronic copy.

I can also check around for different prices.

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05/05/2006 09:17 PM

To psims@eac.gov, serebrov@sbcglobal.net

cc

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Subject hotels

Literally, there is not a hotel room to be found in the district on these dates. The only thing I could find was a room for \$379 a night. I have booked it and will assume that since we are so under-budget on travel that this will be OK

----- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov

To: ~~psims@eac.gov; sarabrown@shcglobal.net~~

Cc: dromig@eac.gov

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 2:32 PM

Subject: Working Group

Hi, Folks:

Teleconference

Are both of you available for a teleconference next Tuesday afternoon at about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you, please suggest another date and/or time. I would like to discuss our preparations for the Working Group meeting.

Working Group Members

We have a very good person to fill the slot for the nonpartisan local election official: J.R. Perez, Elections Administrator for Guadalupe County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have no objections to him. He is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat Rogers office, but have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have any pull with him, you may want to contact him, too.

Travel Arrangements

You should make your own travel arrangements, including hotel. Travel time cannot be billed to the contract, except for hours actually worked on the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in preparation for the meeting, and the like). Current Federal rates follow:

Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include hotel taxes (if you cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable rates that are a little higher)

Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that it is \$48 on the first and last day of travel)

Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445 per mile

Under the new contract, I do not have to fill out a travel authorization for you. I can approve your trip via email. Afterwards, when you turn in your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline receipt (or mileage documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground transportation receipts and a copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the total travel expenses due you, including applicable per diem. I do not need meal receipts.

Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations for personal reasons are not normally accommodated. What you can do, however, is to give me a comparison of the cost of roundtrip mileage, hotel, and per diem of doing it your way against the cost of a roundtrip flight, ground transportation, hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it should be no problem to cover the full cost. If your way is more expensive, we may only pay up to the amount of traditional travel. (The same rules apply to me when I travel.) If you can tell me where, other than DC, you will spend the night, I can check on applicable per diem rates.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 02:36 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

~~serebrov@sbglobal.net~~ <~~serebrov@sbglobal.net~~>@GSAEXTERNAL

cc

Subject Re: Court Case Charts 

OK, I will include all on the CD. Thanks. ---- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" <~~serebrov@sbglobal.net~~>



"Job Serebrov"

~~serebrov@sbglobal.net~~

05/11/2006 12:09 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Court Case Charts

All. They are not duplicates. There are some cases repeated and some not. It is a slight variant of the word search.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job
> In preparing the CDs, we have run across the
> following files that appear
> to be duplicates. Which ones should go on the CD?
> --- Peggy
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>
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>

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"Tova Wang"

~~tovawang@sbglobal.net~~
05/11/2006 12:06 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc dromig@eac.gov, ~~serebrov@sbglobal.net~~, "Tova Wang"

Subject ~~serebrov@sbglobal.net~~
list of interviewees

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"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

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05/05/2006 12:56 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

Thank you, Peg - - see you then.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 12:53 PM

To: Donsanto, Craig

Subject: RE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 18, 1- 5:30 PM (though we may finish earlier). It will be held in EAC's large conference room (the one we use for public meetings, located off our lobby): --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/05/2006 12:43 PM

Topsims@eac.gov

cc

Subject: RE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

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If you tell me now I will put it into my calendar here, which in turn will remind me!

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 12:42 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: Re: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

How many days in advance do you need the reminder? --- Peggy
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/04/2006 02:07 PM

To Paul DeGregorio, Ray Martinez, Donetta Davidson, Gracia Hillman
cc twilkey@eac.gov, jthompson@eac.gov, Gavin S. Gilmour/EAC/GOV@EAC, Amie J. Sherrill/EAC/GOV@EAC, Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV@EAC, Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV@EAC, Sheila A. Banks/EAC/GOV@EAC, bbenavides@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting

Dear Commissioners:

This is to let you know that the Working Group for our Voting Fraud and Voter Intimidation preliminary research project is scheduled to meet in EAC's large conference room the afternoon of Thursday, May 18. I will provide more information about this meeting to you later.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/09/2006 11:19 AM

To Devon Romig
cc
Subject May 18 Meeting

Did Barbara Arnwine's office indicate who they propose to send in her place? --- Peggy
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"Job Serebrov"
~~psims@eac.gov~~
05/10/2006 02:35 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Latham

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The Latham is booked solid. I called. I am checking out some possibilities but this is not looking good.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 03:20 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

~~mailto:serebrov@sbcglobal.net;mailto:psims@eac.gov;mailto:psims@eac.gov~~

cc

Subject Re: Latham 

One sources suggests the Georgetown Inn has vacancies and pillow top beds. Try 1-800-424-2979 or 202-353-8900.

"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>



"Job Serebrov"

~~mailto:serebrov@sbcglobal.net~~

05/10/2006 02:35 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Latham

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 10:06 AM

To Tova Andrea Wang, Job Serebrov

cc

Subject Today's Teleconference

I assume that we are still on for today's teleconference at 11 AM EST. I will call you. I have attached a draft agenda for your review and comment. --- Peggy



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----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:27 PM -----



"Job Serebrov"

<[redacted]@[redacted]>

05/12/2006 12:52 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [redacted]

cc

Subject Re: Fraud Definition

This is ok, given the fact that the WG may have suggestions. Will you be sending us the same packets that you are sending the WG? Also, I figure with Tova's response we will need to have a teleconference on the report once I return to Little Rock. We will need to do it that following Monday or Tuesday.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Would you please take a look at the attached? I
> combined both of your
> definitions, reformatted the list, removed a
> reference to the fraud having
> to have an actual impact on the election results
> (because fraud can be
> prosecuted without proving that it actually changed
> the results of the
> election), and taken out a couple of vague examples
> (e.g.; reference to
> failing to enforce state laws --- because there may
> be legitimate reasons
> for not doing so).
>
> I have made contact with Ben Ginsberg's office and
> am waiting to hear if
> he accepts our invitation to join the working group.
> --- Peggy
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"Job Serebrov"

<[redacted]@[redacted]>

05/11/2006 04:53 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [redacted]

cc

Subject Re: Dinner

Yes. My wife is a vegetarian and I can't eat wheat products and don't eat pork. Non-toxic Oriental seems to always work. I did not cc Tova on this until I received your reaction. You probably want to include

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Tova on replies to this e-mail.

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 11:12 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Fw: May 18th Meeting at EAC

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"Marvin Brokaw"

<marvin.brokaw@adtrav.com

To dromig@eac.gov

>

cc

05/09/2006 11:04 AM

Subject RE: May 18th Meeting at EAC

Hi Devon:

We have heard from Mark Hearne and Todd Rokita. They are both flying in and out on the 18th and will not need hotel rooms. We're kind of waiting to see if Perez and Rogers need rooms before booking any hotel. As soon as we get approval of Hearne and Rokita air schedules and get them booked, we'll forward their itineraries to you.

Kind Regards,
Marvin

-----Original Message-----

From: dromig@eac.gov [<mailto:dromig@eac.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2006 8:31 AM

To: marvin.brokaw@adtrav.com

Cc: psims@eac.gov

Subject: May 18th Meeting at EAC

Hello Marvin,

I just wanted to follow up with the voicemail message that I left for you yesterday. We will be holding a meeting at our offices in Washington DC on May 18, 2006. I have informed the out of state attendees to contact you for their travel arrangements.

We have been authorized to pay for the attendees airfare and hotel arrangements. Please note

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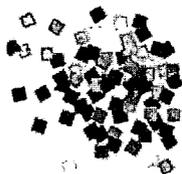
that all of the participants are authorized for a two night hotel room stay, as long as the dates are May 17th and 18th.

I attached the list of the meeting participants that will be contacting you about their travel arrangements for the May 18th meeting in Washington DC.
Let me know if you have any questions for me or if you need any more information from me.

Thanks for your help!

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/03/2006 03:23 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject David Norcross

Peggy,

I just spoke to Mr. Norcross's assistant, he cannot attend the meeting on the 18th, he will be out of town at another event.

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"Donsanto, Craig"

<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov

>

05/04/2006 06:08 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Peggy -- they don't have anything to do with the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights do they?

I ask only because the Justice Department is currently engaged in a very acrimoneous FOIA litigation with LCCR that focuses precisely on our efforts to combat voter "intimidationm"

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Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Thu May 04 17:20:39 2006
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

It is just the Working Group for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project.
I am asking you to attend as Technical Advisor for the project. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/04/2006 03:26 PM

To

psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject

RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Peg - - what is the name of the group?

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 3:13 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craig:

This meeting is being held to obtain input from our eight-member Working Group for the project. The group is composed of election lawyers, election officials, and a representative of an advocacy group, all of whom have an interest and some expertise in the identification and/or prosecution of voting fraud and voter intimidation. The group was chosen so that we would have an equal number of folks on each side of the political spectrum, plus some nonpartisan members.

After our consultants review the results of their preliminary research (interviews, literature review, case law), we will ask the Working Group to brainstorm possible next steps for EAC. Our consultants will write a report summarizing the proposals that come out of this meeting. The report will go to the Commissioners, who will decide what they want to do, funds available, and what priority to assigned to the effort(s).

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Your participation in this part of the process is extremely important, so I am very happy that you can find time for us that afternoon. I'll get an agenda and other information to you next week. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/04/2006 02:32 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay, Peg - - I will mark off the entire afternoon and try to be there. What is the agenda? I was not aware that this was anything beyond having your contractors spend another session with me. Also, if they will be needing stats and stuff like that I need to know as I will bring my state-people with me.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 2:28 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Right now, we are planning to meet in EAC's large conference room between 1 PM and 5 PM. If you cannot be there for the whole afternoon, we will appreciate whatever time you can spare. I'll get back to you with more information (agenda, list of Working Group members, etc.). --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 05:59 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc

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