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The Seattle Times
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Dear Keith:

The King County Records, Elections and Licensing Services Division received a public disclosure request from you by electronic mail at 5:01 p.m. on Monday, February 28, 2005.

As you know, the Elections Section of our office is responding to a significant number of public disclosure requests at this time. Additionally, we have just completed the administration of the February 8, 2005 Special Election and we are continuing to be responsive to requests for information related to the election contest lawsuit and related media inquiries. However, to continue our good working relationship and in the interest of providing information to you in a timely manner we will make the following documents available no later than 30 days from now.

In your request, you asked for access to the following:

1. Access to all precinct poll books that were used in the Nov. 2, 2004, general election and that contain accountability forms used to reconcile ballots issued and ballots counted;
2. Copies of contents of all pages in the binder containing polling-place-level reconciliation of ballots during canvassing of poll ballots in the Nov. 2 election; and
3. Copy of any spreadsheet or other summary of the information in the binder referenced above.

Yesterday, Tuesday, March 1, 2005, I left a voice mail message with you indicating poll books would be available for your inspection beginning tomorrow, March 2, 2005 at 9 a.m. in the Maynard Room located on the second floor of the King County Administration Building.

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We will notify you by letter or electronic message as soon as a copy of the polling place reconciliation binder and any summary of this binder can be made available for your review. At this time, the Elections Section estimates that it may take up to 30 days to be responsive.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very sincerely,

Bobbie Egan, Communications Specialist
King County Records, Elections and Licensing Services

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