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Wisconsin Department of Justice
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Attorney General Schimel:

I have reviewed the report that your agency produced after investigating the situation surrounding the illegally leaked "John Doe" documents. I thank you and your staff for conducting a thorough, professional, and objective investigation.

I am writing to request that the Department of Justice reopen the investigation and expand its scope to encompass all activities that the GAB staff named in your report were undertaking during the three interconnected John Doe investigations. I plan to convene the Committee on Senate Organization and seek its members' approval to grant DOJ authorization to take this next step, pursuant to Wis. Stat 165.25(1m).

There is enough evidence that GAB staff were acting incompetently at best, and criminally at worst, in the years surrounding the recall elections of 2011 & 2012. It is of the utmost importance that we ascertain exactly what the GAB board, leadership, and staff were doing, and when, and what their motivations were. The victims of the John Doe as well as the voting public need clarity and finality with this issue before confidence in our elections and ethics oversight processes can be fully restored.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Fitzgerald".

Scott Fitzgerald
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