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IN RE: Susan Geddis
Livingston County Sheriff's Office No. 18-03701

Mr. Vaillencourt:

The above-referenced matter was referred to the Ingham County Prosecuting Attorney for a review and determination if Susan Geddis violated Michigan Election Law regarding False Designation of Incumbency in violation of MCL168.944. This request was at the direction of the Michigan Attorney General's Office due to Livingston County Prosecutor's Office having a conflict of interest in handling this matter.

I have had the opportunity to review the Livingston County Sheriff's Office Investigation Report regarding the alleged violation of MCL 168.944 as well as examples of Ms. Geddis' campaign signage and/or literature pertaining to her campaign toward being elected to the 44th Circuit Court. Lastly, I reviewed the Michigan Court of Appeals opinion, *Treasurer of the Committee to Elect Gerald D. Lostracco v Fox*, 150 Mich App 617 (1986).

After review of all the materials provided to me, as well as consulting with other Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys within my office and Prosecutor Carol Siemon, I am declining to pursue any criminal charges in this matter.

Sincerely,


John J. Dewane
Deputy Chief Assistant Prosecutor