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FOIA Request 25-197

Request for Records — Complaints Filed Against the Prosecutor's Office — as faxed August 13, 2025

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Page 1 — Cover sheet: “FOIA Submission”

Date: August 13, 2025
To: FOIA Coordinator, Delta County Prosecutor's Office, 310 Ludington Street, Escanaba, MI 49829

This FOIA request is submitted for prompt processing under the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (MCL 15.231 *et seq.*).

Please note (as summarized from the cover sheet):

1. The request is intentionally worded to capture all complaints — public, internal, or from outside agencies — regardless of whether they were resolved, unfounded, or still pending.
2. A response stating that no such records exist will not be accepted unless accompanied by a detailed certification describing: the complaint systems, logs, and databases searched; the staff or custodians consulted; and the search terms and date ranges used.
3. Records marked as “confidential,” “personnel,” “administrative,” or “internal” are public records unless a valid statutory exemption applies. All non-exempt, reasonably segregable portions must be released.
4. If any records are withheld under the “personnel records” exemption or similar provisions, the response must still describe the document type, date, and general nature of the record so that the applicability of the exemption can be evaluated.

The cover sheet asks for acknowledgment within five business days and full compliance within the statutory deadline.

Page 2 — Request for Records – Complaints Filed Against the Prosecutor's Office

Date: August 13, 2025

Dear FOIA Coordinator:

Pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.231 *et seq.*, I request copies of:

> *All complaints, grievances, or formal allegations filed against the Delta County Prosecutor's Office or its employees from January 1, 2019, through the date this request is processed.*

This request includes, but is not limited to:

- Written complaints submitted by members of the public, law enforcement, court staff, or other government agencies;
- Internal grievances filed by Prosecutor's Office employees;
- Complaints submitted to oversight bodies, professional licensing boards, the State Bar of Michigan, or the County Board of Commissioners;
- Any records of the resolution, investigation, or disposition of such complaints.

Please include all responsive records regardless of whether they are labeled as “confidential,” “personnel,” “internal,” or “for administrative use only.” Draft and final versions should be included.

If any portion of this request is denied, please provide the statutory exemption relied upon and the name/title of the person responsible for the denial, as required by MCL 15.235(5). Please release all reasonably segregable portions of otherwise exempt records.

I am willing to accept the records in electronic format (PDF preferred) via email, to reduce costs. If fees will exceed $20, please provide an itemized cost estimate before proceeding.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

`NAME AND ADDRESS REDACTED`

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