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July 31, 2024

Via email at Jocelyn J. Brasher

RE: Public Record Matter Involving the Dodge County Attorney's Office

Our File No. 20241136

Dear Ms. Brasher:

This letter is in response to the public records petition you submitted to this office on July 16, 2024, in which you requested our assistance in obtaining certain records from the Dodge County Attorney's Office. We considered your petition in accordance with the Nebraska Public Records Statutes (NPRS), Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 84-712 to 84-712.09 (2014, Cum. Supp. 2022), amended 2024 Neb. Laws LB 43.

On July 26, 2024, the undersigned discussed your petition with Dodge County Attorney Pam Hopkins, particularly the exception in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-712.05(18) relied on as the basis to deny you access to the requested records. Following our discussion, Ms. Hopkins agreed to provide you responsive records. We asked Ms. Hopkins to make those records available to you no later than close of business on August 7.

Since you will be receiving the records that formed the basis for your petition, no further action by this office is necessary and we are closing this file. If you disagree with

Your July 10, 2024, request sought "job application material, including but not limited to: job applications/ employment applications, resumes, references, reference letters, school transcripts, etc. for all individuals who applied for an attorney position(s) with the Dodge County Attorney's Office from July 1, 2023, through the date of this request (July 10, 2024) and were considered a finalist and/or a priority candidate."

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the action taken pertaining to this matter, you are free to consider the other remedies available to you under the NPRS.

Sincerely,

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c: Pam Hopkins (via email)

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