

August 18, 2014

Letter to:

Jane Ann Hodges
Executive Director, Watauga County Board of Elections
842 West King Street, Suite 6
Boone, NC 28607

Dear Ms. Hodges:

I am writing to you to request clarification concerning the public records request submitted by Mr. Nathan Miller on July 24, 2014. He addressed this request to me in care of you. A copy of it is attached.

It is my understanding that a request for public records is to be made to the custodian of the records. G.S. 132-2 requires the public official in charge of an office to designate a custodian of the public records for that office and G.S. 132-6 requires every custodian of public records to permit inspection of the records and to provide copies of the records.

I am not the custodian of records for the Watauga County Board of Elections. I assumed from Mr. Miller's inclusion of your name on the letter that he considers you to be the custodian of the records for the Watauga County Board of Elections. I request clarification of whether this assumption is correct. Please advise me as to who is the custodian so that I can direct Mr. Miller to that person.

I am happy to cooperate with any public records request. I note that Mr. Miller's request includes elections data available from the State Board of Elections as well as information about my thought process in regards to the Minority One-Stop plan that would require the creation or compilation of records that do not currently exist.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Campbell

Cc: Nathan A. Miller
Stacey C. Eggers IV