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## SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

MIKE McGUIRE

April 1, 2025





RE: LEGISLATIVE OPEN RECORDS ACT REQUEST

Dear Christine Grab:

This letter responds to your December 3, 2024 email correspondence to various individuals with the Senate Committee on Rules and other public officials. We have construed your email as a request for specified records under the Legislative Open Records Act (Gov. Code, § 9070 et seq.). The specific categories of information and records that you have requested and our responses to your requests are set forth below.

1. "All pages of all standard operating procedure manuals utilized by the State Senate that address oaths and/or surety bonds, including (but not limited to) the protocols for the process of identifying which oath type is given to which employees (oath of office vs oath of allegiance), administration of oaths, filing of oaths of office with the Secretary of State, procurement of bonds, filing of bonds with the Secretary of State, etc."

We have no records responsive to this category of your request. Oaths of office for Senators are filed with the Secretary of State; employee oaths are retained by the Senate. State law does not require Senators or Senate employees to carry surety bonds. Consequently, the Senate does not obtain surety bonds for Senators or employees and has no records regarding such bonds.

## 2. "Unredacted copies of current oaths and surety bonds for the following people:

- Andrews, Michelle
- Barnett, Alex
- Blakespear, Catherine
- Braverman, Sheila
- Brown, Samantha
- Caballero, Anna
- Case, Doug
- Cervinka, Lynne
- Chavez, Zandra
- · Choe, Stella
- Contreras, Erika
- Dahle, Brian,
- Davis, Grace
- Duncan, John
- Duran, Antoinette
- Durazo, Maria Elena
- Eisberg, Ryan
- Esparza, Anna
- Favorini-Csorba, Anton
- Fontus, Stella
- Fritz, Niesha
- Gonzalez-Parra, Rubie
- Griffiths, Diane
- Grinnell, Colin
- Grove, Shannon
- Hanna, Tate
- Hardeman, Nicholas
- Henderson, Vanessa
- Jordan, Stephanie

- Kennedy, Mary
- Laird, John
- Loftin, Sarah
- Mebust, Erik
- Menjivar, Caroline
- Mohtashemi, Raayan
- Nam, John
- Padilla, Steve
- Persons, Jack
- Peterson, Jonathan
- Pfefferkorn, Krista
- Reed, Cole
- Rincon, Omar
- Rodriguez, Kimberly
- Severiano, Christian
- Rubio, Susan
- Seyarto, Kelly
- Sparks, Jeff
- Summers, Haley
- Suseberry, Tylisa
- Vallejo, Christopher
- Vargas, Itzel
- Wahab, Aisha
- Weisz, Jason
- Wiener, Scott
- Williams, Kayla
- Yeung, Elisa Rae
- Zhang, Francis"

We are able to provide you with records responsive to this category of your request, which will be redacted to protect individual privacy. The Legislative Open Records Act permits the Senate to withhold from mandatory production records of "[p]ersonnel, medical, or similar files, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." (Gov. C., § 9075(c).) As a courtesy, we will not redact the signatures of Senators or any Justices of the Supreme Court of California from these records. Signatures of non-elected state employees will be redacted pursuant to this provision.

We have no other records responsive to this category of your request.

3. "Pay history information for all of the people named [in item #2, above] for the last ten years."

We are able to provide you with records responsive to this category of your request.

Finally, regarding records responsive to categories 2 and 3 of your request, under the Legislative Open Records Act, you are responsible for reimbursing the Legislature for the cost of copying records provided to you at a rate of 10 cents per page. (Gov. Code, § 9073.) Accordingly, we will produce 253 pages of responsive records upon receipt of your payment of \$25.30. Please make your check payable to "Senate Rules Committee."

Sincerely,

ERIKA CONTRERAS Secretary of the Senate