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May 13, 2013

Cynthia A. Luczak
Bay County Clerk
515 Center Ave., Suite 101
Bay City, Michigan 48708-5941

Re: Howard Wetters

Dear Ms. Luczak:

Thank you for your letter dated February 26, 2013 stating that Mr. Howard Wetters and/or his campaign committee has not complied with the filing requirements of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act, 1976 PA 388, as amended, MCL 169.201 *et seq*, under § 216(8) which states: "After 9 business days and before 12 business days have expired after the deadline for filing the statement or report, the filing official shall report errors or omissions that were not corrected and failures to file to the attorney general." Under this statute, the Attorney General lacks enforcement authority to impose civil remedies for errors or omissions in campaign statements that are brought to our attention.

As a result, a record of your report will be maintained in the files of the Department of Attorney General. However, since your letter pertains to a candidate for local office and/or a local ballot question, you should contact the prosecuting attorney concerning criminal enforcement.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Denise C. Barton".

Denise C. Barton
Division Chief
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