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VIA EMAIL: kevin@ehdhlaw.com

RE: Your Open Records Requests, dated April 10, 2023, addressed to Deborah Gonzalez and received by the Open Records Officer on April 10, 2023.

Dear Mr. Epps:

Request 1:

I am writing in response to your above-referenced open records request that was received by the Open Records Officer on April 10, 2023. You asked for the following records of the Athens-Clarke County Unified Government:

 All emails sent from Deborah Gonzalez or Jennie de la Vega, to any other person, agency, or department, which includes a request to modify the persons listed on the www.accgov.com District Attorney's Office Directory.

Search From/to Deborah Gonzalez or From/To Jennie De la Vega January 1, 2021 – Present Request to Modify DA Office Directory at www.accgov.com

2. All emails, recorded statements, or other documents since January 1, 2021 which reference the accuracy/inaccuracy, data issues, field entry, or other technology issues relating to the "DA Dashboard" made possible through an in kind donation from Luminosity.

Since January 1, 2021 - Present "DA Data Dashboard"

All documents that are releasable and responsive to your request that are maintained by the Athens-Clarke County Unified Government will be prepared for your review. The following information, to the extent that it exists, will be exempt from release pursuant to the following described provisions of the Open Records Act: O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) [with a summary of the type of exception]:

- (1) O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) (41) [attorney-client privilege]
- (2) O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) (42) [attorney work product]
- (3) O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) (20) [individual's social security number, personal email address or cellular phone number, etc.]
- (4) O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) (21) [public employee personal information]

To provide clarity, I have broken down our estimate of costs in the chart below.

Dept. / Gov't Body	Hourly Rate	Anticipated Length of Time	Cost Estimate:	Notes / Explanation:
Information Technology	\$35.58	15 minutes	\$8.89 - \$8.89 = \$0.00	Minus the first 15 minutes of work. Pulled potentially responsive emails as follows: Record Search 1: 26 messages Record Search 2: 271 messages
District Attorney's Office	\$17.00	2.47 hours	\$41.99	Search and Review of all potentially responsive records: documents, messages, etc. @ 297 messages
		TOTAL:	\$ 41.99	

Request 2:

I am writing in response to your above-referenced open records request that was received by the Open Records Officer on April 10, 2023. You asked for the following records of the Athens-Clarke County Unified Government:

All emails (including any attachments) sent to or from Deborah Gonzalez since January 1, 2021 until
the time such records are produced which contain the phrases "Marsy's Law" or "Marcy's Law" or
"Marcie's Law."

Search From/to Deborah Gonzalez January 1, 2021 – Present With Phrases "Marsy's Law" or "Marcy's Law" or "Marcie's Law"

2. All emails (including any attachments) sent to or from Deborah Gonzalez since January 1, 2021 until the time such records are produced which contain the phrases "no notice" or "get notice" or "receive notice" or "not sent notice" or "not given notice."

Search From/to Deborah Gonzalez January 1, 2023 – Present

With "no notice" or "get notice" or "receive notice" or "not sent notice" or "not given notice." On 4/13 received additional narrowing phrase of "for court"

All documents that are releasable and responsive to your request that are maintained by the Athens-Clarke County Unified Government will be prepared for your review. The following information, to the extent that it exists, will be

exempt from release pursuant to the following described provisions of the Open Records Act: O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) [with a summary of the type of exception]:

- (1) O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) (41) [attorney-client privilege]
- (2) O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) (42) [attorney work product]
- (3) O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) (20) [individual's social security number, personal email address or cellular phone number, etc.]
- (4) O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a) (21) [public employee personal information]

To provide clarity, I have broken down our estimate of costs in the chart below.

Dept. / Gov't Body	Hourly Rate	Anticipated Length of Time	Cost Estimate:	Notes / Explanation:
Information Technology	\$35.58	15 minutes	\$8.89 - \$8.89 = \$0.00	Minus the first 15 minutes of work. Record search 1: 60 messages Record Search 2: 102 messages
District Attorney's Office	\$17.00	1.35 hours	\$22.95	Search and Review of all potentially responsive records: documents, messages, etc. @ 162 messages
		TOTAL:	\$ 22.95	

Cost of 2 ORRs:

Request 1	\$ 41.99
Request 2	\$ 22.95
Total	\$ 64.94

^{*} These amounts are estimates. We will keep track of actual time spent on these numerous requests, and send you a modified estimate as we proceed. We will also send a final invoice based on the actual time spent.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-18-71(d), an agency seeking costs in excess of \$500.00 shall notify the requestor of the estimate of the costs, and the agency may defer search and retrieval of the records until the requester sends payment in full for the estimate costs. The requester is not charged for the first fifteen (15) minutes of time. Charges for time are not to exceed the salary of the lowest paid full-time employee who, in the discretion of the custodian of the records, has the necessary skill and training to perform the request.

Once you agree to pay this amount, I will commence the review. Within three (3) business days of retrieval and completed review of the records, I will notify you in writing of any further exemptions and the date that records will be available. Should you have any additional questions, please call me at 706-613-3035.

Sincerely.

District Attorney, Western Judicial Circuit

Deborah Gonzalez