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Attorney General Jay Nixon  
Attn: Custodian of Records  
Missouri Attorney General's Office  
207 West High Street  
Jefferson City, MO.  
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General Nixon:

This is a request under the Missouri Sunshine Law, Chapter 610, Revised Statutes of Missouri.

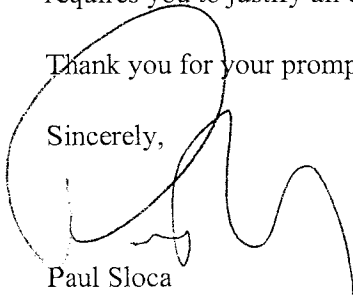
Excluding all documents that are currently part of the public record with the Missouri Supreme Court, I am requesting the following documents regardless of the form in which they are currently retained: all electronic and paper correspondence and any other documents relating to your office's participation in James Trout, Appellant, v. State of Missouri, et al., Respondents, including internal documents relating to responses to media and internal communications regarding those responses, correspondence with plaintiff attorney Charles Hatfield and communications between your office and the Missouri Ethics Commission.

We ask that all fees related to this request be waived. I expect that copies will be provided as quickly as possible, but at least within three working days of your receipt of my request under Chapter 610.

If portions of the requested records are exempt from disclosure, the state Sunshine Law requires you to segregate those portions and release the remainder of the records. The state law also requires you to justify all deletions in writing by citing specific statutory exemptions.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,



Paul Sloca  
Communications Director  
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204 East Dunklin  
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September 7, 2007

Paul Sloca  
Communications Director  
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204 East Dunklin  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Mr. Sloca:

I am responding on behalf of this office to your open records request. To begin, I note that you request materials exclusive of documents “currently part of the public record with the Missouri Supreme Court” relating to our participation in James Trout, Appellant v. State of Missouri, et al., Respondents. Construing your request liberally, we are including materials that may be responsive relating to both the appellate and circuit court proceedings. But we assume that you are not requesting documents that are part of the public record relating to the circuit court proceedings. Those materials are available at the Cole County Circuit Clerk’s Office. Or, if you like, we will provide them.

As to the substance of your request, responsive documents are being provided with this letter. There are additional documents that may be responsive but are closed under Section 610.021(1).

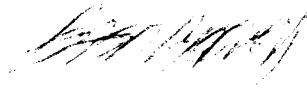
Documents that reflect communications between the Missouri Ethics Commission and this office constitute attorney-client communications. These documents, along with documents constituting work product are closed under Section 610.021(1) as “relating to legal actions, causes of action, or litigation involving a public governmental body.”

As you have requested, we will waive the research and copying fees associated with our response to this request. If you would like us to provide the trial court filings discussed above, we will likely need to charge for copying due to the volume of the filings.

Thank you for your request. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the number below if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

JEREMIAH W. (JAY) NIXON  
Attorney General

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Lyskowski". The signature is written in a cursive style with some overlapping strokes.

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Assistant Attorney General  
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