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Mr. Auvo Kemppinen
329 Lake Moultrie Drive
Bonneau, South Carolina 29431

Dear Mr. Kemppinen,

Thank you for your letter regarding voter fraud and request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act.

We appreciate your perspective on voter fraud in South Carolina. In order to ensure that the integrity of the electoral process is protected, we must guarantee that there is no voter suppression while also curtailing and preventing voter irregularities and fraud. An invaluable aspect of voter identification is that it brings honesty to our election process, where citizens can now prove who they are, and no one else can steal their identity or vote for them.

With regard to your Freedom of Information Act request for "a copy or [Governor's Office] records...for any [voter] fraud perpetrated and prosecuted according to [Governor's Office] knowledge, during the past five years", please be advised that the Attorney General's Office handled numerous records regarding South Carolina's Voter ID law during the State's lawsuit against the United States Department of Justice. The Attorney General's Office can be reached at the following address:

The Office of the Attorney General
Post Office Box 11549
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Our office does not possess records related to your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel