



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

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July 7, 2016

VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Ms. Casey Vaughn
Executive Producer, WHNS Fox Carolina
Casey.Vaughn@foxcarolina.com

Re: Your Freedom of Information Act request for "any written communication, including emails, sent to and exchanged with the Governor related to developments of the Mother Emanuel A.M.E. Church attack and the removal of the Confederate flag".

Dear Ms. Vaughn,

Our office possesses records responsive your request. Be advised that records will be exempt or redacted as is allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-40(a) of the South Carolina Code of Laws (information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy; records of law enforcement and public safety agencies not otherwise available by state and federal law compiled in the process of detecting and investigating crime; and correspondence or work products of legal counsel for a public body and any other material that would violate attorney-client relationships).

Our office will charge a reasonable cost for searching and copying records as provided by Section 30-4-30(b). Our office has located approximately 10,000 pages of emails and letters. Due to the widespread, national public interest of these issues, our office has chosen to reduce the cost for copying records from 10 cents to 5 cents per page and also to waive in its entirety the charge for staff time spent searching and compiling records as is allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-30(b) (a reduced charge is appropriate where waiver of the fee is determined by the agency to be in the public interest).

Accordingly, our office estimates the total cost of compiling these records to be approximately \$500.00 (approximately 10,000 pages at five cents per page). A deposit of \$400.00 will be required to proceed. Please provide payment by check, made payable to the "Office of the Governor" and mailed to the following address:

Ms. Casey Vaughn

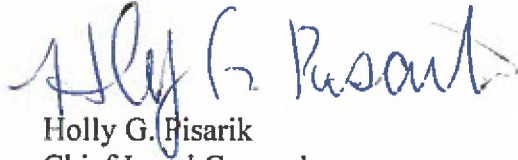
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ATTN: Holly G. Pisarik, Chief Legal Counsel
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Once the deposit is received, the records will be compiled and a final cost will be determined. You will be notified of the final cost so that the remaining balance can be paid. Once full payment is received, the records will be mailed to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Holly G. Pisarik". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Holly" being more prominent.

Holly G. Pisarik
Chief Legal Counsel

HGP/rs