



October 30, 2024

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*Via Email Only*

Mr. Lonnie Grabowska  
Director, North Dakota Bureau of Criminal Investigation  
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Re: Request for Interview (Complaint Nos. 22-003 – 22-010)

Dear Director Grabowska:

The Commission is in receipt of your email response from October 25, 2024, which indicated you will participate in the Commission's investigation only through responses to written questions. The Commission cannot accept your request to answer written questions. The Commission directs the course of its investigations under N.D. Const. art. XIV, N.D.C.C. § 54-66-08, and N.D. Admin. Code § 115-02-01-06.

As a key witness, the Commission believes you have essential clarifying information for the Commission's investigation. You have cooperated with a review by other entities into matters related to the Burlington property, and your office indicated on several occasions you would make yourself available to the Commission. Accordingly, the Commission requested an interview to better understand the crucial information you have which relates to this matter. We have been working in good faith with your office for over one year to schedule such an interview, including answering several questions you recently posed to our office in an attempt to allay any fears you might have about the interview process.

With the understanding you are unwilling to sit for an interview, the Commission will explore its options for obtaining all relevant information as it prepares to wind up its investigation into these complaints. If you reconsider your willingness to interview with the Commission, please let us know as soon as possible.

Pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 54-66-12(1), this letter and any information you provide in response is a confidential record as defined in N.D.C.C. § 44-04-17.1. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Commission's office at your convenience.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R Binstock". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Rebecca Binstock  
Executive Director, North Dakota Ethics Commission