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The Honorable Katie Hobbs Arizona Secretary of State 1700 W. Washington, 7th Floor Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Secretary Hobbs:

I am in receipt of your letter dated December 17, 2021, regarding the Elections Procedures Manual (EPM). I previously set forth my position to you in my letter to you dated December 9, 2021. In that letter I made clear what changes need to be made to assure the EPM complies with the law and does not unnecessarily expose election officials and workers to criminal penalties. I appreciate that you agree with many of these changes.

However, in accordance with my independent statutory obligation to review the manual as Arizona's chief legal officer, I reiterate once again that I will only approve the EPM with the changes outlined in my December 9, 2021 correspondence.

Finally, because of your unprecedented decision to file a bar complaint against me and many attorneys in our office, I must refrain from addressing your legal arguments and discussing this matter further with you. Once again, I hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

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