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To whom it may concern:

The Office of the Arizona Attorney General is providing the referenced information to your office for review and potential further action as it relates to potential violations of the Internal Revenue Code by True the Vote, a 501(c)3 organization. Based out of Texas, True the Vote (TTV) shows Catherine Engelbrecht as the president, with Gregg Phillips being a contracted partner. The executive director is Cole Hughes.

True the Vote's mission according to its website is:

"True the Vote's mission is to train citizens to protect election integrity at the polls, and to help protect all voters' rights."

TTV has alleged wide-spread voter fraud during the 2020 national general election. It purports to have geolocation data that it claims is indicia of ballot stuffing and voting fraud. Specifically, TTV alleges it has in its possession geolocation data from a number of mobile devices showing those mobile devices making several trips in which it is said people are walking to, from, or past ballot drop boxes. Information has not been provided as to the specific location, whether or not there is in fact a drop box at that location, nor is there any information on the person(s) who may be in possession of the mobile device. TTV did not provide any video evidence to support claims of ballot box stuffing. TTV is adamant it has the evidence of ballot stuffing and voting fraud. However, when asked to provide the information, which Ms. Engelbrecht and Mr. Phillips promised to do, TTV never provided the information.

Ms. Engelbrecht and Mr. Phillips met with representatives of our Special Investigations Section on three different occasions (June 3, 2021; April 5, 2022; June 1, 2022). During those meetings, Ms. Engelbrecht and Mr. Phillips stated they obtained the unique individual phone identifier/fingerprint and geolocation data from a private vendor who sells such information for marketing purposes. They report spending \$2 million for the information. Prior to each meeting with TTV, Ms. Engelbrecht and Mr. Phillips stated they would provide us with the information to support their allegations. Despite repeated requests, TTV never did provide the information it purported to have in its possession.

In our second meeting, they indicated they had geolocation data that showed there were 243 "mules" in Arizona who were ballot harvesters/stuffing ballot boxes, with the information showing they repeatedly went by and/or to ballot drop box locations. During this meeting, TTV provided us with a document in which they hypothesized as to how the election fraud occurred. Again, we asked for the information and they did not provide it, saying they would. On May 4, we sent an email to TTV requesting the information. On May 6, we received an email from Ms. Engelbrecht in which she stated they had been busy but would send us the information next week. Again, the information never arrived.

TTV then began to publicly assert they had provided us with the information – to include a hard drive – and made that same claim to the Arizona State Senate and the Phoenix Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Not only is this patently false, TTV acknowledged via correspondence and during a meeting with them that they had not given us the information but that they would.

In our meeting with TTV on June 1, 2022, they indicated they had given all of the election fraud information to the Phoenix Office of the FBI and we could obtain the information from them. They stated they were working with the FBI as informants and they were not sure they could give the information to our office. This statement reflects TTV's knowledge of having not provided our office with any information that they had previously alleged.

We met with representatives of the Phoenix FBI office on June 8, 2022 and were informed they had met with TTV and TTV provided them an audio recording and video of an interview of a person from San Luis who was alleging ballot harvesting. They did not provide any additional information, only saying that the FBI could contact our office for the information as they had provided all of the information to us. The FBI also informed us that Ms. Engelbrecht and Mr. Phillips were not informants for the FBI. We again requested the information from TTV via electronic and U.S. mail correspondence and leaving voicemail messages. TTV never responded to our email or phone calls, and registered mail was returned having not been signed for.

TTV has stated publicly their geolocation data was instrumental in helping the Atlanta Police Department arrest a suspect wanted for the murder of a young child in that city. In speaking with representatives of that agency, they informed us that they made an arrest in the case two weeks before TTV offered their services and TTV was not a factor in the arrest. TTV has also stated that based upon their information, our office was able to initiate investigations into election fraud in the town of San Luis. This is inaccurate. TTV has not provided us any information/evidence of election fraud in Arizona that has led to us initiating an investigation.

TTV has raised considerable sums of money alleging they had evidence of widespread voter fraud and their efforts would train the public to protect election integrity at the polls and to help protect all voters' rights. They indicate they have provided the information to law enforcement agencies; in our case they have not after promising to do so. Another law enforcement agency has also stated they have not provided them the information, informing them they had given the information to us.

Given TTV's status as a nonprofit organization, it would appear that further review of its financials may be warranted.

Feel free to contact the undersigned should you need any further information.

Respectfully

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