Subject: Brazos County, TX - Records Request ADMIN-2024-183 Completed

Date: Friday, April 19, 2024 at 3:37:17 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: JustFOIA Notification

To: AO Records

### **EXTERNAL SENDER**

Hello,

The request <u>Request Number: ADMIN-2024-183</u> has been completed. Please click on the link to download the responsive records.

Thank you, JustFOIA

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## **Request Information**

**Print Requested By:** ALeggett@brazoscountytx.gov

**Date Printed:** 03/19/2024

**Request Number:** ADMIN-2024-92 02/08/2024 02:46 PM **Date of Request:** 

**Request Type:** General Public Records Requests

Pending Inspection **Request Status:** 

**Public Request:** No

## **Request Details**

**Request Fields** 

Name of Requestor Tim Purcell

Phone 979-256-7245

Email 552.137

Address 1094 Windmeadows Dr.

City College Station

State TX

Zip 77845

What type of record are you seeking?

**Description of Request** 

Pursuant to the Public Information Act, Texas Government Code Section 552, I hereby request the following information currently existing in the records of Brazos County, Texas:

I request (select one):

When ready, notify me by:

Other

Pursuant to Texas Election Code Section 123.008, I wish to inspect: a) all of the manuals, instructions, and documents produced by the manufacturer of the electronic voting system or equipment used by Brazos County, Texas, and b) all of the manuals, instructions, and documents produced by Brazos County for the electronic voting system or equipment used by Brazos County, Texas.

Electronic

I wish to receive copies of the requested information. I understand that I may pay 10 cents per page for standard size copies and that a charge for labor may be included for larger requests. Information copied into nonstandard-size paper, cassette tapes, computer discs, photographs and other medium will require additional charges. All charges must be paid at the time of deliver. An estimate of what will be charged will be provided to you in advance.

Yes

I will receive information on when they will be available for inspection, and how to schedule an appointment for this. I reserve the right to request copies after inspecting the originals, and understand that an estimate of charges will be sent to me shortly thereafter.

No

In making this request, I understand that Brazos County is under no obligation to create a document to satisfy my request or to comply with a standing request for information. I further understand that the information will be released in accordance with the Public Information Act, which may require a determination as to confidentiality by the Texas Attorney General prior to release. I further understand that Brazos county has ten business days in which to request such a determination.

Yes

Do you agree to the redaction of information that is subject to mandatory exceptions provided such redactions are clearly labeled on the information you receive?

Yes

Do you agree to the redaction of information that is subject to discretionary exceptions, provided such redactions are clearly labeled on the information you receive?

Yes



## Correspondence

**Received:** 02/13/2024 02:19 PM

**To:** "4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1.BrazosCountyTX@request.justfoia.com" <4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-

d1495dc576f1.BrazosCountyTX@request.justfoia.com>

From: "Tim Purcell"

Subject: Re: ADMIN-2024-92

Hi Aubrey:

Friday, 9 am - 11 am is best for me.

Thanks

Tim

From: Aubrey Leggett (Brazos County, TX)

**Received:** 02/15/2024 04:29 PM

To: " 4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County TX @ request.just foi a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County Fill a. com "<4cbd4f4b-9a8b-4d73-bf18-d1495dc576f1. Brazos County Fill a.

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From: "Tim Purcell"

Subject: Re: Hart Manual Document Inspection Form

Katie:

I will be there tomorrow morning and expect to be able to make copies. The Texas Attorney General has ruled that citizens can make copies of such documents.

I'll provide the specific ruling when I arrive tomorrow.

Thanks & regards,

Tim Purcell

From: Katia Baeza (Brazos County, TX)



**Sent:** 02/12/2024 11:08 AM **To:** 552.137

From: "Aubrey Leggett (Brazos County, TX)"

Subject: ADMIN-2024-92

Good morning Mr. Purcell,

Are you available to come to the Elections Administration Building to inspect the requested documents at any of the following dates/times?

• Thursday (2/15) - 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

• Friday (2/16) - 9:00 am - 11:00 am

• Friday (2/16) - 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

If none of these work, I can look at dates into the following week.

Thanks,

Aubrey Leggett

Brazos County, TX

PublicInfo@brazoscountytx.gov

(979) 361-4146



**Sent:** 02/13/2024 02:27 PM **To:** berratt@brazoscountytx.gov

From: "Aubrey Leggett (Brazos County, TX)"

Subject: FWD: Re: ADMIN-2024-92

Mr. Purcell is going to inspect the Hart Manual this Friday from 9-11at the Elections Admin Building. I added it to your calendar. Please let me know if that doesn't work for you. Thanks!

-Aubrey

On Tue, Feb 13, 2024 at 2:19 pm, Tim Purcell wrote:

Hi Aubrey:

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Thanks

Tim

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Aubrey Leggett

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**Sent:** 02/15/2024 12:55 PM **To:** 552.137

From: "Katia Baeza (Brazos County, TX)"

Subject: Hart Manual Document Inspection Form

Attachments: Hart Manual Document Inspection Form.pdf (116.09 KB)

Good afternoon,

In preparation for your document inspection at the Elections Administration Building, tomorrow morning from 9:00am - 11:00am, I have attached a copy of our policy. You will be asked to sign a copy of this policy upon arrival, acknowledging that you have read and agree to abide by the terms. Our General Counsel will be there to oversee the inspection. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Best regards,

Katia Baeza

Brazos County, TX

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# Brazos County, Texas Inpection of Hart Manual

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I,, have requested that Brazos County Elections Administration Office make "available for public inspection" the "user or operator manuals or other instructions or documents related to the use of the electronic voting system or equipment" under Section 123.008(a) of the Texas Election Code. I certify the following:			
I have been informed and understand that "public inspection" means:			
I will be provided the opportunity to view a copy of the materials available for inspection inside the office of Brazos County Elections Administration and only durin normal business hours.			
Neither the materials available for inspection nor any portion thereof may leave the office of Brazos County Elections Administration at any time.			
I am not permitted to "check out" or otherwise remove any materials available for inspection or any portions thereof from the office of Brazos County Election Administration.			
Neither <b>Brazos County Elections Administration</b> nor any of its personnel will provide me with a copy of the materials available for inspection or any portion thereof.	le		
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Neither <b>Brazos County Elections Administration</b> nor any of its personnel are permitte to assist in making any copies of the materials available for inspection or any portion thereof.			
I am not permitted to photograph, video, take notes, copy by hand, take a digital copy, of otherwise use personal devices to make any copies of the materials available for inspection or any portion thereof.			
I have been informed and understand that, to the extent that I make copies or otherwise remove the materials available for inspection or any portion thereof from the office of <b>Brazos County Elections Administration</b> , I assume the risk of potential legal liability for doing so.			
have been informed and understand that, to the extent that the materials available for inspection or an portion thereof are copyrighted, I also assume the duty of compliance with copyright law and the risk of copyright infringement lawsuit, including the risk of being liable.	•		
Signed: Dated:			
Address:			
Telephone:			
Email:			

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	Neither <b>Brazos County Elections Administration</b> nor any of its personnel are permitted to assist in making any copies of the materials available for inspection or any portion thereof.
	I am not permitted to photograph, video, take notes, copy by hand, take a digital copy, or otherwise use personal devices to make any copies of the materials available for inspection or any portion thereof.
	For today only I will not exercise my rights under the Texas Election Code and the Texas Attorney General's Letter Ruling to photograph, video, take notes, copy by hand, take a digital copy, or otherwise use personal devices to make any copies of the materials available for inspection or any portion thereof.
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## **BRAZOS COUNTY**

## **Inspecting Sensitive Documents In-person**

First and foremost, the integrity and condition of the documents must be maintained throughout the process. To that end, the Brazos County Elections Administration adopts the following rules of procedure pursuant to Texas Government Code section 552.230 relating to the inspection of sensitive documents:

- 1) The term "documents" refers to any physical records being interacted with, to include paper ballots and printouts.
- 2) Requests to conduct an in-person inspection must be made a minimum of three (3) business days in advance of the desired date of inspection.
- Dates will be scheduled based on availability of space and resources. Because the Elections Administration is consistently in the process of preparing for or conducting an election, it may be up to 90 days or more before an in-person inspection of documents at the Elections Administration can be scheduled. The Elections Administration will make every effort to allow an in-person inspection of documents as soon as practicable but cannot guarantee any specific turnaround time for every request.
- 4) Per Texas Government Code section 552.225(a), requestors have up to 5 business days to complete their inspection of documents and may only do so during normal business hours of the Elections Administration.
  - a. Normal business hours are Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM, excluding County holidays.
- 5) No writing or marking instruments will be allowed around the documents.
- 6) No food or drinks are allowed around the documents.
- 7) All interaction with the ballots by non-elections personnel may be subject to both video and in-person monitoring.
- 8) No more than two boxes or containers (insomuch as the documents are in boxes or containers) may be simultaneously accessed. This constraint may be reduced to one box or container based on space and resource availability.
  - a. In the event that the documents are not boxed, the Elections Administration may limit the number of documents that may be accessed at the same time as allowed by physical restrictions and/or availability of said documents to avoid any potential confusion.
- 9) The number of persons allowed simultaneous access to the documents is limited to the amount of space available in order to reasonably monitor such access but will not exceed two (2) at any given time.



From: Walter Daugherity
To: Bruce L. Erratt

Cc: Trudy R. Hancock; Allison L. Lindblade; Aubrey M. Leggett

Subject: Re: Hart Manual

**Date:** Wednesday, March 13, 2024 8:58:39 PM

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Thursday morning March 21st will work.

To make it clear that this is for one day only, please replace the last paragraph with the following:

For today only I will not exercise my rights under the Texas Election Code and the Texas Attorney General's Letter Ruling to photograph, video, take notes, copy by hand, take a digital copy, or otherwise use personal devices to make any copies of the materials available for inspection or any portion thereof.

Thanks,

Walter

On Wed, Mar 13, 2024 at 4:29 PM Bruce L. Erratt < <u>BErratt@brazoscountytx.gov</u>> wrote:

I am currently available next week on Thursday morning or afternoon and Friday morning. If one of these times works for you, I will check Anthony's availability.

Bruce L. Erratt

General Counsel

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President Trump: "Our Founders boldly declared that we are all endowed with the same divine rights — given [to] us by our Creator in Heaven. And that which God has given us, we will allow no one, ever, to take away — ever." (July 4, 2020)

