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VIA HAND DELIVERY

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Attorney General Brad Schimel
Wisconsin Department of Justice
17 West Main Street
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Madison, WI 53703

RE: Five Inquiries Regarding Wisconsin's Sexual Assault Kit Backlog

Dear Attorney General Brad Schimel:


We are writing to you again today regarding sexual assault kits in Wisconsin. We have written to your department via hand-delivered correspondence on May 17, 2017, June 2, 2017, and September 18, 2017, respectively, posing the same five inquiries of the Department of Justice (DOJ) regarding the status of Wisconsin's sexual assault kit backlog. Regrettably, we have yet to receive answers to any of the five inquiries we have made of your department now on three separate occasions.


Thus, we write again today for the fourth time and ask you to respond to five simple inquiries on the status of the sexual assault kit backlog and kit testing in Wisconsin. As is consistent with our previous correspondence, we respectfully request an acknowledgement of this letter, and a *written* response from you and your department addressing the following inquiries:

- The actual number of untested kits currently in Wisconsin's inventory;
- The actual number of kits that DOJ has tested thus far;
- The actual number of kits that have been designated for testing but that have not yet been tested;
- Of the actual number of kits that have not been designated for testing, the reason those kits will not be tested, and the percentage breakdown for each reason;
- The actual number of untested kits sent to private and state labs, respectively, for testing.

We look forward to receiving your acknowledgement of this letter and receiving your prompt response by close of business on Friday, October 6, 2017.

Respectfully,


Representative Melissa Sargent
48th Assembly District


Representative Chris Taylor
76th Assembly District