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RE: Audit Report No. B31168

Dear Mr. Joyce:

Thank you for your letter and report dated December 14, 2007 regarding the examination of the Town of Whitestown, Boone County Indiana. According to this report and the follow-up telephone conversation I had with you I understand the financial records for the Town of Whitestown are in disarray or do not exist. It is also my understanding that the public office charged with the responsibility of maintaining these vital records is that of the Clerk-Treasurer. The person holding this elected office during the period of your examination, i.e., January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2006, was Ms. Debra Zachelmeyer. Given that Ms. Zachelmeyer was re-elected to this position on November 6, 2007 and began serving her four year term on January 1, 2008 she will again be the person in charge of maintaining these vital records.

That being said, by way of this letter, I am requesting, on behalf of the State of Indiana, as its Prosecuting Attorney for the 20th Judicial Circuit, that the State Board of Accounts provide this office with a follow up audit on the Town of Whitestown. This office will then use that audit to determine if an action for the removal of Ms. Zachelmeyer from office is warranted and whether a criminal investigation is needed to determine if any crime has been committed in relation to Ms. Zachelmeyer's term in office.

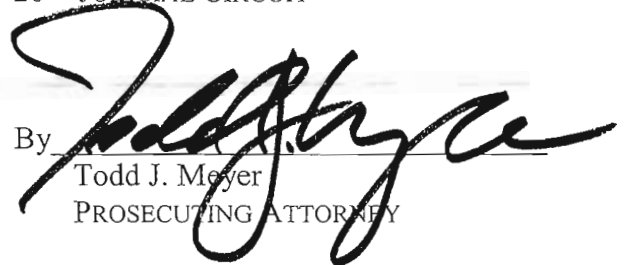
It is this office's hope that given your agency's recent involvement with the Town of Whitestown's clerk-treasurer that adequate adjustments will have been made and that you will find Ms. Zachelmeyer's records to be in proper form and order. In the event you do not, this office will have little choice but to initiate proceedings seeking her removal from office pursuant to I.C. § 5-8-1 for refusing or neglecting to perform the official duties pertaining to her office.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. As always, if you should have any questions or comments regarding this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

STATE OF INDIANA
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By 
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