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January 29, 2020

RE: Providing further facts concerning our request for an investigation and ruling on Minister of Justice and Solicitor General Doug Schweitzer participating in appointment of his associate Steve Allen

Dear Commissioner Trussler:

Following up on the letter Democracy Watch filed on December 11, 2019 requesting the investigation into Minister Schweitzer participating in the appointment of his associate Steve Allan, and the second letter sent on January 17, 2020, we are sending this third letter because new details were disclosed on Tuesday about more campaigning that Mr. Allan did for Minister Schweitzer's election.

In addition to the campaigning detailed in our first two letters, according to this article:

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/doug-schweitzer-pressured-for-support-of-springbank-dam-project-emails-show-1.5442319>

Steve Allan:

- a) Not only sent out an invitation for, but was also one of three organizers who organized and, possibly, paid some of the costs for, a June 2018

- campaign event for Mr. Schweitzer when he was running for the UCP nomination in his riding;
- b) Held a March 21, 2019 campaign event for Mr. Schweitzer at his home;
 - c) Sent an April 15, 2019 email to his neighbours urging them to vote for Minister Schweitzer in the Alberta provincial election, an email that said, in part, "...there is a very good chance Doug could be in Cabinet".

Given this campaign assistance provided by Mr. Allan to Mr. Schweitzer, in addition to the assistance summarized in our first and second letters to you concerning this matter, we again request that you issue a public ruling soon on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Duff Conacher".

Duff Conacher, Co-founder of Democracy Watch
on behalf of the Board of Directors of Democracy Watch

Attachments:

Document containing series of emails between Steve Allan and Doug Schweitzer and others.