

# PUBLIC INTEREST

— LEGAL FOUNDATION —

VIA EMAIL

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**RE: NVRA Violation and Inspection Visit**

Dear Mr. Cox:

Thank you for your response. Let me assure you that our scheduled visit is not intended to disrupt the NCSBE's functions, nor will it have that effect. Our visit is necessary, however, because the NCSBE has not permitted inspection and photocopying of records that must be made public pursuant to federal law. The NCSBE promised to produce those records *more than seven months ago*. The notice you received last week is thus anything but "short."

To accommodate your schedule and that of the NCSBE, we have rearranged our travel plans to schedule our visit for **the morning of Thursday, May 23, 2019**. The Foundation's representative is willing to devote the entire day to this matter, if necessary, to accommodate the NCSBE's other functions. We are more than happy to discuss the Foundation's requests with you and NCSBE staff and we look forward to inspecting and photocopying responsive records.

Sincerely,

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