

July 22, 2025

VIA EMAIL

Arizona Secretary of State
Attn: Legal Services
1700 W. Washington St., Floor 7
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Public Records Request

To Whom It May Concern:

The Republican National Committee, together with the Arizona Republican Party (collectively, the “Parties”), makes this request for public records of the Arizona Secretary of State pursuant to the Arizona Public Records Law, A.R.S. §§ 39-121 et seq.

As explained in a public statement,¹ on or before July 1, 2025, the Arizona Secretary of State experienced a cybersecurity event, during which a third party may have gained access to one or more of its systems. While the statement indicates that an attack was detected, investigated, and is continuing to be monitored, nowhere in the statement does the Secretary provide insight to the exact systems and data compromised, the origins of the attack, the remedial actions taken to mitigate the threat, or the current status of the affected system(s). In an effort to obtain additional information regarding these critical details, the Parties hereby request the following:

1. All communications relating to the detection, response, and reporting of the cybersecurity breach of one or more of the Secretary of State’s system(s), including details regarding the systems and data compromised, the origins of the attack and any remedial action taken, that occurred on or before July 1, 2025 to, from, or otherwise including any of the following individuals:
 - a. Adrian Fontes
 - b. Keely Varvel
 - c. C. Murphy Hebert
 - d. Kuruvilla Mathew
 - e. Michael Moore
 - f. Aaron Thacker
 - g. Tonia Tunnell
 - h. Lisa Marra
2. All documents relating to the detection, response, and reporting of the cybersecurity breach of the Secretary of State’s system(s), including details regarding the systems and

¹ *Statement from the Arizona Secretary of State’s Office Regarding Temporary Candidate Portal Outage*, <https://azsos.gov/news/959> (accessed Jul. 17, 2025).

data compromised, the origins of the attack and any remedial action taken, that occurred on or before July 1, 2025.

For purposes of this request, “communications” shall be construed in accordance with the broadest sense of the term, and should include, but not necessarily be limited to, emails, text messages, digital or social media messages, handwritten notes and, in the case of phone calls, recordings or transcripts. Similarly, “documents” should be construed to include, but not necessarily be limited to, any papers, images, reports, memoranda, or other documentary materials prepared or otherwise existing relative to the inquiry, regardless of physical form.

This public records request is being submitted for non-commercial purposes in compliance with A.R.S. § 16-168. The Parties are national and state political party committees, respectively, and are exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code. The subject of this request concerns the urgent matter of the security of Arizona’s elections systems and databases and, therefore, is most certainly in the public’s best interest.

Due to the non-commercial nature of this request, the Parties respectfully request the waiver of any associated fees outside of copying and postage. If such fees are likely to exceed \$100.00, please consult with us prior to processing the request.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please don’t hesitate to contact me via email at cfort@lexpolitica.com with any questions or clarifications.

Respectfully,



Christine Fort
Counsel to RNC and AZGOP