

# **Exhibit 3**

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### **October 2017 Update**

Dear Friends,  
We are pleased to let you know that the **Minnesota Voters Alliance (MVA)** was invited to speak at the December 2017 meeting of the "Presidential Advisory Commission on Election Integrity", also known as the "**Trump Voter Fraud Commission**".

The meeting information has not been released yet, but we'll let you know as we learn more, as well as share with you our objectives for the event. The Commission has held two meetings thus far; the first one was held at the White House and the second was in New Hampshire.

Your continued support has made this possible and we are very grateful.

### **Minnesota Secretary of State covering up voter data**

The Office of the Secretary of State holds a monopoly on statewide election data and over the years has become increasingly **unwilling to open the books** for public scrutiny.

Secretary of State Steve Simon's recent defiance of the **Presidential Commission on Election Integrity's** request for access to Minnesota's voter registration data is just the latest example of stonewalling by his office.

Minnesota has led the nation in voter fraud convictions, yet, Secretary Simon tells the people that no voter exists because he has 'rigorous safety measures' in place. When asked to see proof, i.e. "the data", he says "it's not public".

In our ongoing efforts to determine the true amount of ineligible voting in Minnesota, we submitted a simple Data Practices Act (DPA) request to the Secretary of State on July 21, 2017, asking for "public" voter data on all voters, and, as expected, were denied.

### **Lawsuit against Secretary of State**

The Minnesota Voters Alliance (MVA) filed a lawsuit against Secretary of State Steve Simon on August 10, 2017, in Ramsey County District Court, for wrongfully rejecting our Data Practices Act (DPA) request seeking 'public' voter data.

Under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act statute, all government data is presumed to be 'public', unless explicitly classified as non-public or confidential.

Our DPA request simply asked for 'public' voter data, (i.e. name, address, voter status, etc.. ), on all voters in the Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS) including those with an **"Ineligible"** voter status. The request did not seek personal information about party affiliation, or confidential information such as driver's license numbers.

The only data that the Secretary of State **currently releases as 'public data'** is routinely sold on CD-ROM for \$46 to any Minnesota voter. But, the readily available disk contains only **"active"** voters because it was intended to be used as a political mailing list.

The CD-ROM, however, **does not contain** that **same information** on persons marked **"inactive"** and **"challenged"**. Such designations, or "voter statuses", are key indicators of a voter's ineligibility and are critical to identifying how much ineligible voting is occurring.

Recent opinions by the **Data Practices Office** (DPO, formerly known as IPAD), a government agency established to settle disputes over access to government-held data, suggests that 'public data' is available on **all voters**, not merely just those marked **"active"** in the SVRS.

#### **Two major advantages**

-While the Data Practices Office is not a court, the law states that a court must give 'deference' to a favorable DPO opinion, thus, providing us with considerable leverage in court.

-Nationally recognized **Judicial Watch** has expressed strong interest in filing an Amicus 'friend of the court' supporting our position.

### **Judge and court data assigned:**

We have been assigned Ramsey County District Court Judge Jennifer Fritsch, and a court date of December 4, 2017. We'll keep you posted!

**Critical Support!**

**We are seeking to raise \$10,000** by November 15th to stay on course for our 2017 budget and to cover court costs, administrative and operational expenses.

A generous donor has agreed to match all donations up to \$5,000 towards this appeal. Please make a generous "Tax Deductible" donation today to help us reach our goal!

If you have not recently done so, please make check payable today to the "Minnesota Voters Alliance" or you can donate online at [www.MNVoters.org](http://www.MNVoters.org)

Warm regards,

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