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To the Public Records Board

There is a reason, Board members, that we have an Open Records law and there should be no limits to open access for written and electronic records.

Elected officials now and in the recent past have used outside e-mails for government business. Indeed, elected officials in Milwaukee County under Mr. Walker had a separate system of communications through e-mail. At the State level, elected and unelected public officials were instructed to use outside e-mails.

You as appointed officials need to do your duty to rescind open access. Your prior decision was done in secret, in a similar vein as was the July 4th weekend decision by the Legislature to destroy our open records law.

You need to ask yourselves what you and they are afraid of. Would access to communications by our elected officials point out corruption, undue influence, incompetence, and other forms of malfeasance? In fact, they have in the recent past.

Yours,

Bob Chernow

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