

Alan Theusch

From: Alan Theusch <alantheusch@wi.rr.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 6, 2016 10:35 AM
To: DOA Public Records Board Comments; Sen.Kapenga - LEGIS; Rep.Duchow - LEGIS; Susan Theusch
Subject: Publics Records Board

Chairman Mathew Blessing, Senator Chris Kapenga, Representative Cindi Duchow:

DEMOCRACY: government by the people; a form of government in which the supreme **power is vested in the people and exercised directly by them** or by their elected representatives under a free electoral system.

It should not be necessary to remind you of this definition. Any student in a civics class would be able to inform you of this basic and fundamental pillar of government in the United States. To think that you as our elected and appointed representatives would even for a moment entertain the thought that your deliberations and communications should be withheld from the public, who put you into office, is unconscionable. The suggestion that because your communications are done electronically justifies keeping them from the light of public view is at best disingenuous and at worst deceitful and dishonest. Today's communications are just a different version of the pen and paper used in the past.

Just what are you talking about that you need to hide it from the public?

Need I further remind you that you work for the people not the other way around. The people put you into office and the people can remove you come election day.

Most sincerely,

Alan Theusch