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**Subject:** RE: electronic records

Hello,

Thank you very much for expressing your views on this matter.

The public may submit written comments to [PublicRecordsBoardComments@Wisconsin.gov](mailto:PublicRecordsBoardComments@Wisconsin.gov) [.] Those comments will be compiled by the executive secretary of the Public Records Board and shared with all members of the board.

Respectfully,  
Matt Blessing  
Chair, Public Records Board

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Dear members of the Public Records Board,

I urge you to rescind your despicable attempt to limit public access to text messages, emails, Facebook posts and other electronic communications by public employees.

A functioning democracy requires public access to what you have defined as "transitory" electronic communications used by public boards, commissions and government officials in conducting public business.

Your definition of "transitory records" would allow public and government officials to conduct the public's business in the shadows.

Keep public records public.

Al Gedicks  
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