



STATE OF INDIANA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
State House, Second Floor
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Eric J. Holcomb
Governor

October 2, 2017

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

Mr. Brian Slodysko
Indiana State Capitol Correspondent
The Associated Press
bslodysko@ap.org

Re: Public Records Request 17-19

Dear Mr. Slodysko:

Enclosed herewith are copies of records responsive to the public records request you sent pursuant to Indiana's Access to Public Records Act ("APRA"), which requested the following:

All emails addressing the subject of JustIN or a state run news service, sent to or from the address mpence1314@aol.com between the dates 11/01/2014 and 02/28/2015, that also include any of the following people on the chain: Jim Atterholt, Bill Smith, Bill McCleery, Josh Pitcock, Kara Brooks, and Christy Denault.

As a courtesy, we are providing responsive records to you free-of-charge. To clarify, the Governor's Office is in receipt of emails produced electronically by the former governor from his email accounts and searched those accounts for documents to/from/cc Jim Atterholt, Bill Smith, Bill McCleery, Josh Pitcock, Kara Brooks, and Christy Denault, in the relevant time period, containing the terms "JustIN" or "state run news service."

Certain records, and/or portions of records, have been withheld from disclosure, and are not being produced in this response, in accordance with, and as permitted by, the laws of the State of Indiana, as follows: Indiana Code § 5-14-3-4(b)(6), records that are advisory or deliberative material. The person responsible for the denial and/or withholding of records, or portions thereof, is Mr. Joseph R. Heerens, General Counsel.

In the interest of time and providing you with records as soon as reasonably possible, the enclosed copies of emails are being produced to you on a rolling basis as our office's review of these records is completed; and this production may be supplemented as additional responsive records are located and/or reviewed.

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Our office is continuing its work to respond to the unusually large number of records requests pending at this time, and we appreciate your continued patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephanie Wilson".

Stephanie Wilson
Press Secretary

Enclosures
cc: File

From: Denault, Christina
Sent: Thu 1/29/2015 12:46 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mike" <mpence1314@aol.com>
Cc: "Bauer, Zachary C" <ZBauer@gov.IN.gov>, "Crabtree, Chris" <CCrabtree@gov.IN.gov>, "Brooks, Kara D" <kbrooks@gov.in.gov>
Bcc:
Subject: FW: Governor Pence Terminates JustIN Website
Attachments: image00300003.png; Governor Pence Memorandum000004.pdf; ATT0000100005.txt

It's out everywhere now. I also sent it as a courtesy, per your request.

Christy Denault
Communications Director
Office of Governor Mike Pence
Phone: 317/233-9997
Cell: 317/7[REDACTED]

From: Govcomm [mailto:govcomm-bounces@lists.in.gov] **On Behalf Of** Cleveland, Bridget
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 12:46 PM
Subject: [Govcomm] Governor Pence Terminates JustIN Website

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
January 29, 2015

Contact: Christy Denault
cdenault@gov.in.gov

Governor Pence Terminates JustIN Website

Directs All Executive Branch Agencies to Ensure Press Releases and Public Notices Are Posted to Existing Website

Indianapolis – Governor Mike Pence sent the attached memo today to all State Agency Heads under his direction.

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Michael R. Pence
Governor

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Agency Heads
FROM: Governor Mike Pence
DATE: January 29, 2015

From the outset of this administration you have heard me emphasize the importance of integrity and accountability to the public, and I am grateful for the manner that each of you has worked to serve the people of Indiana with transparency and a servant's heart.

As you are aware, concern has arisen regarding the development of a new website for the state of Indiana.

However well intentioned, after thorough review of the preliminary planning and careful consideration of the concerns expressed, I am writing to inform you that I have made a decision to terminate development of the JustIN website immediately.

The original intent of this project was to make press releases more readily available in a one-stop website for the convenience of the press and the public. At present, approximately 50 of the 90 executive branch state agencies and commissions post press releases on the state's current public calendar website (www.in.gov/core/news_events.html). This results in the press and the public having to visit multiple sources to stay informed about state activities.

Therefore, rather than developing a new website, I have instructed the Office of Information Technology update the current public calendar website to ensure that the press and the public have unfiltered and convenient access to all press releases and public meeting notices. The updated calendar will be fully automated and designed to post all press releases and public meeting notices in real time.

Accordingly, effective immediately, I am directing you to instruct your communications office to work with the Office of Information Technology to ensure that all press releases and public notices issued from your agency are properly displayed on this public calendar and press releases website.

It is a great privilege for us to serve the people of Indiana and I am grateful every day to serve with men and women like you who share my determination to do so integrity, servant leadership and accountability.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Pence
Governor of Indiana

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