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To: Dale Washam, Pierce County Assessor-Treasurer
Re: Request for in-person interview

PIERCE COUNTY

Mr. Washam:

This letter represents a formal request for an in-person interview.

We are assembling a story that examines your life and career. It is lengthy and detailed. In addition to your tenure in office, it examines prior campaigns and various legal actions in which you have taken part over the years.

We have asked in person and by email to meet with you for an interview. You have refused and called our motivation into question.

You are a prominent figure in Pierce County politics. You have sought public attention for your causes, using the assessor-treasurer's website and public meetings to promote your views. You have called on other local and state leaders to back you. You have been the subject of multiple investigations and two claims against the county. We believe it is reasonable to chart the path that led you to the position where you stand today.

Please give this request serious consideration, and let us know your reply by close of business Friday, Nov. 5.

Sincerely,



Karen Peterson
V.P. and Executive Editor