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Thanks, Jay. Glad it helped. Hank Kim also hosted a Zoom call yesterday concerning “opposition research” on Siedle, and I will be working with NRTA and NEA on a generic education piece that can be used by national organizations to hopefully “inoculate” retirees to Ted’s pitch when he comes calling. At this point, the plan is to be pretty generic, and we may not even mention his name but perhaps refer to “forensic audits” and other such “plan research.” I realize that won’t really help you, but it may help other plans down the road.

As for a letter to you, would you mind sharing the media inquiry you received as it may give me an idea of what the press is seizing on that we may want to be sure to address. Also, can you give me an idea as to how you plan to use an NCTR letter? Widely distributed to your membership and the press? Targeted use with policymakers? Both? Finally, should it be addressed to you or to your Board? Or both?

I need to finish up my FYI for this week, and I have a planning call tomorrow for my upcoming webinar on A.I. next week. However, I plan to start on a letter tomorrow and hopefully get something to you by the end of the week.

Hang in there!!

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**To:** Leigh Snell <leigh@nctr.org>

**Subject:** RE: Ted Siedle

Hi Leigh. Thank you very much for helping set up that conference call last week. My staff and I found it extremely helpful. I really appreciate your time and experience with this situation.

As for a letter from NCTR, I think it would be useful. No hurry, but we have our first inquiry now from the media about this. A letter outlining what has happened in other states and the damage it has caused to their integrity, or whatever you are comfortable including.

Thanks again Leigh.

Jay Stoffel

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Jay,

I hope that was productive. As I noted, there is a link to the actual Siedle report on OH STRS as part of the February 2023 NCTR FYI Special Report that I sent you.

Do you still think an NCTR letter to you concerning this would be helpful?

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