

## N.C. GOP Legal Counsel Releases Letter Addressing Controversy Over Chairman Hasan Harnett

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RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - As the controversy continues over the future of state Republican Party Chairman Hasan Harnett, the legal counsel for the party released a letter addressing details of what led up to the no confidence vote against Harnett by the Central Committee of the party.

The March 31 letter from Tom Stark begins:

"I am writing this letter as a result of many inquiries received by the Republican Party Staff, as well as inquiries directed to me by members of the Central Committee, Executive Committee, and others concerning various public statements and actions of Chairman Harnett in recent weeks.

Let me begin by apologizing to the members of the Executive Committee for keeping you in a vacuum concerning the recent events. At my advice, the Central Committee and others have tried to avoid handling this matter in public in order allow a reasoned discussion with Chairman Harnett in private or in closed session of the Committee. The Central Committee has remained largely silent in order to resolve these issues quietly and responsibly without further damage to the Party

The Chairman and his confederates, however, have chosen a different path. They have released numerous public statements that, in my view, contain inappropriate, vitriolic and inaccurate information. Unfortunately, these statements have exacerbated the situation, and portrayed the North Carolina Republican Party in a negative manner. As a result, I believe it has become necessary to address the situation publicly.

The full letter can be found at [https://gallery.mailchimp.com/f3100bc5464cbba2f472ddf2c/files/3\\_31\\_16\\_Letter\\_from\\_the\\_General\\_Counsel.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/f3100bc5464cbba2f472ddf2c/files/3_31_16_Letter_from_the_General_Counsel.pdf)