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OR98-2309

Dear Mr. Marshall:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your requests were assigned ID#s 117382, 118497, 118444 and 118090.

The City of Coppell (the "city") received requests for all documentation relating to investigations of criminal charges against several individuals. You contend that the city is not required to provide a response under the Open Records Act. You have related the reason why you need not respond to the request. We have considered your arguments and conclude that you need not comply with the request for information.

We note that for the request assigned ID# 117382, the requestor also seeks a copy of the supplemental brief that the city submitted to this office. We note that this office generally regards a governmental body's letter requesting an open records decision, including any arguments for withholding information under the act, as a public record. Open Records Decision No. 459 (1987). However, under certain circumstances, it is our policy not to disclose this information. *Id.* In this instance, the city may withhold the supplemental brief from required public disclosure.

We are resolving this matter with an informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. This ruling is limited to the facts presented to us in this

request and should not be relied upon as a previous determination. If you have questions about this ruling, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,



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