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Ms. Katie Lentz
Williamson County Sheriff's Office
508 South Rock Street
Georgetown, Texas 78626

OR2009-01317

Dear Ms. Lentz:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Public Information Act (the "Act"), chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 335145.

The Williamson County Sheriff's Office (the "sheriff") received a request for booking sheets and arrest photographs on every individual arrested between November 11, 2008, and November 17, 2008. You state that you will redact social security numbers under section 552.147 of the Government Code.¹ You claim that the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.130 and 552.136 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted representative sample of the requested information.²

Section 552.130 of the Government Code provides in relevant part:

(a) Information is excepted from [disclosure] if the information relates to:

- (1) a motor vehicle operator's or driver's license or permit issued by an agency of this state; [or]
- (2) a motor vehicle title or registration issued by an agency of this state[.]

¹We note that section 552.147(b) of the Government Code authorizes a governmental body to redact a living person's social security number from public release without the necessity of requesting a decision from this office under the Act.

²We assume that the "representative sample" of records submitted to this office is truly representative of the requested records as a whole. See Open Records Decision Nos. 499 (1988), 497 (1988). This open records letter does not reach, and therefore does not authorize the withholding of, any other requested records to the extent that those records contain substantially different types of information than that submitted to this office.

Gov't Code § 552.130(a)(1), (2). Accordingly, the department must withhold the Texas driver's license numbers and license plate numbers you have marked pursuant to section 552.130.

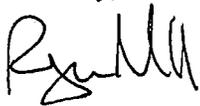
Section 552.136(b) of the Government Code states that "[n]otwithstanding any other provision of [the Act], a credit card, debit card, charge card, or access device number that is collected, assembled, or maintained by or for a governmental body is confidential." *Id.* § 552.136(b). Therefore, the sheriff must withhold the credit card numbers you have marked pursuant to section 552.136 of the Government Code.

In summary, the sheriff must withhold the information you have marked pursuant to sections 552.130 and 552.136 of the Government Code and may withhold the information you have marked pursuant to section 552.147 of the Government Code. The sheriff must release the remainder of the submitted information.

This letter ruling is limited to the particular information at issue in this request and limited to the facts as presented to us; therefore, this ruling must not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other information or any other circumstances.

This ruling triggers important deadlines regarding the rights and responsibilities of the governmental body and of the requestor. For more information concerning those rights and responsibilities, please visit our website at http://www.oag.state.tx.us/open/index_orl.php, or call the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Act must be directed to the Cost Rules Administrator of the Office of the Attorney General at (512) 475-2497.

Sincerely,



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Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

cc: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)