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Ms. Crystal Koonce
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Williamson County Sheriff's Office
508 South Rock Street
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OR2014-01605

Dear Ms. Koonce:

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# 513377.

The Williamson County Sheriff's Office (the "sheriff's office") received a request for information pertaining to a specified incident involving the requestor's client, including video recordings, 9-1-1 audio recordings, and 9-1-1 call transcripts. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.1175 and 552.130 of the Government Code.¹ We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Initially, we note you have not submitted any information responsive to the portions of the request for 9-1-1 audio recordings and transcripts. To the extent any information responsive to these portions of the request existed on the date the sheriff's office received the request, we assume the sheriff's office has released it. If the sheriff's office has not released any such information, it must do so at this time. *See* Gov't Code §§ 552.301(a), .302; *see also* Open Records Decision No. 664 (2000) (if governmental body concludes no exceptions apply to requested information, it must release information as soon as possible).

¹Although you state you invoke all the exceptions provided by sections 552.101 through 552.153, you have not submitted arguments in support of the applicability of the remaining exceptions you raise. Accordingly, this decision does not address your assertion of the remaining exceptions you invoke. *See* Gov't Code §§ 552.301(e)(1)(A), .302.

The submitted video recordings contain information subject to section 552.130 of the Government Code. Section 552.130(a)(2) provides information relating to a motor vehicle title or registration issued by an agency of Texas or another state or country is excepted from public release. Gov't Code § 552.130(a)(2). Upon our review, we agree the submitted video recordings contain discernible license plate numbers subject to section 552.130(a)(2) belonging to individuals other than the requestor's client. You state the sheriff's office does not have the technological capability to redact the information from the recording. Accordingly, we conclude the sheriff's office must withhold the submitted video recordings in their entirety under section 552.130(a)(2) of the Government Code.²

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.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open/orl_ruling_info.shtml, 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 may be directed to the Office of the Attorney General, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



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Enc. Submitted documents

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²As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address your remaining argument against disclosure of the submitted information.