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OR2016-15848

Dear Ms. Sheely:

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 originally received by the Open Records Division ("ORD") of this office and assigned ID# 618557. Preparation of the ruling has been assigned to the Opinion Committee of this office.

You inform us that on April 27, 2016, the Travis County Justice Planning Department ("Department") received a request for copies of all records related to the 2014 Workforce Development Program's Annual Luncheon. You state that the Department has released all of the information requested with the exception of the names of individual employers participating in the Department's Workforce Development Re-Entry Program. You claim that the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.101, 552.103, and 552.104 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the representative sample of information you submitted.¹

You inform us that the submitted information was the subject of a previous request for information, in response to which this office issued Open Records Letter Ruling OR2016-06311. In OR2016-06311, we determined that the Department must release the

¹We assume that the representative sample of records submitted to this office is truly representative of the requested records as a whole. *See* Tex. Att'y Gen. ORD-499 (1988) at 6, ORD-497 (1988) at 4. 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.

submitted information. In response to OR2016-06311, the Department filed a lawsuit against our office challenging the ruling, which is pending before the 98th District Court in Travis County. *See Travis Cty. v. Paxton*, Cause No. D-1-GN-16-001701 (98th Dist. Ct., Travis Cty., Tex., Apr. 20, 2016). Accordingly, we will allow the trial court to resolve the issue of whether the information that is the subject of the pending litigation must be released to the public.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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Opinion Committee

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)

²Given this determination, we need not address your arguments against disclosure of the submitted information.