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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

August 10, 2016

Ms. Lori J. Kaspar
County Attorney
Hood County Attorney's Office
1200 West Pearl Street
Granbury, Texas 76048

OR2016-17987

Dear Ms. Kaspar:

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# 627999.

The Hood County Sheriff's Office (the "sheriff's office") received a request for information pertaining to a specified incident. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.101 of the Government Code.¹ We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

We note the requested information was the subject of a previous request for information, in response to which this office issued Open Records Letter No. 2016-15567 (2016). In Open Records Letter No. 2016-15567, we concluded the sheriff's office must withhold the submitted information under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 58.007 of the Family Code. There is no indication the law, facts, and circumstances on which the prior ruling was based have changed. Accordingly, the sheriff's office must continue to rely on Open Records Letter No. 2016-15567 as a previous determination and withhold the identical information in accordance with that ruling. *See* Open Records Decision No. 673 (2001) (so long as law, facts, and circumstances on which prior ruling was based have not changed, first type of previous determination exists where requested

¹Although you do not explicitly raise section 552.101 of the Government Code, we understand you to raise this exception based on the substance of your argument.

information is precisely same information as was addressed in prior attorney general ruling, ruling is addressed to same governmental body, and ruling concludes information is or is not excepted from disclosure).

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paige Thompson", with a large, decorative flourish extending to the right.

Paige Thompson
Assistant Attorney General
Open Records Division

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Ref: ID# 627999

Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)