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FILE # ML-39592-97  
I.D.# 39680

Re: Opinion Request ID # 39592

Dear Mr. Gilpin:

Enclosed please find your requested brief on the above referenced opinion.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Cindy Maria Garner  
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ATTN: Ms. Sarah Shirley, Chair, Opinion Committee

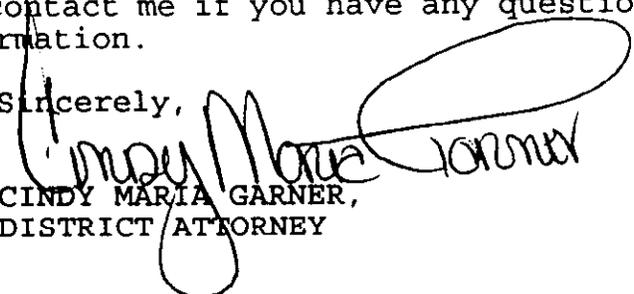
Dear Ms. Shirley:

I am hereby requesting an opinion from your office. This opinion should address the following issue:

Is a non-profit corporation, formed for the purpose of assisting and supporting inmates and former inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice--Institutional Division, practicing law when they provide the families of inmates with a "Do-it-yourself" Parole Kit and provide counseling and assistance in preparing the information and presenting same to the Department of Pardons and Paroles?

I believe you have spoken with Dr. Paul Carlin who formed The Texas Association of X-Offenders, Inc, a Texas Non-Profit Corporation, regarding this matter and advised him some type of opinion should be made available to us during a reasonable period of time. I certainly appreciate your efforts in this regard and hope you will not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

  
CINDY MARIA GARNER,  
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