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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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

OR2017-24264

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# 681143.

The Williamson County Sheriff's Office (the "sheriff's office") received a request for all information pertaining to a specified accident. You inform us the sheriff's office will redact certain public citizens' dates of birth pursuant to Open Records Letter No. 2016-21706 (2016).<sup>1</sup> You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.101 and 552.130 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code provides information relating to a motor vehicle operator's or driver's license or permit, a motor vehicle title or registration, or a personal identification document issued by an agency of Texas or another state or country is excepted from public release. Gov't Code § 552.130(a). Upon review, we find the submitted information, including the dash-camera video recordings, contains motor vehicle record information. You state the sheriff's office lacks the technological capability to redact the confidential information in the submitted dash-camera video recordings. Accordingly, with

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<sup>1</sup>Open Records Letter No. 2016-21706 authorizes the sheriff's office to withhold public citizens' dates of birth under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with common-law privacy without requesting a ruling from this office.

the exception of the information we have marked for release within the incident report, the sheriff's office must withhold the submitted dash-camera video recordings in their entirety, as well as the motor vehicle record information you have marked and we have marked for withholding in the incident report, under section 552.130 of the Government Code.<sup>2</sup> See Open Records Decision No. 364 (1983). However, we find you have failed to demonstrate the information we have marked for release constitutes confidential motor vehicle record information for the purposes of section 552.130. Consequently, the sheriff's office may not withhold this information under section 552.130. As you raise no other exceptions to disclosure, the sheriff's office must release the remaining 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.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open/orl\\_ruling\\_info.shtml](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,



Cole Hutchison  
Assistant Attorney General  
Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor  
(w/o enclosures)

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<sup>2</sup>As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address your remaining argument against disclosure of this information.