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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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OR2019-06530

Re: Request for criminal records related to two named individuals; (ORR W080350)

Dear Mr. Murray:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 758241.

After reviewing your arguments, we have determined your request does not present a novel or complex issue. Thus, we are addressing your claims in a memorandum opinion. You claim the requested information must be withheld from the requestor. A request to compile an individual's criminal history implicates this person's privacy. We have concluded such a compilation is highly embarrassing information and is generally not of legitimate concern to the public. Therefore, to the extent you maintain law enforcement records depicting the named individuals as suspects, arrestees, or criminal defendants, you must withhold the requested information under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with common-law privacy.¹

For more information on the cited exception, please refer to the open government information on our website at <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/og/memorulings>. You may also contact our Open Government Hotline at 1-877-OPENTEX.

Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)

¹As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address your remaining arguments against disclosure. Although the requestor is a representative of the Child Protective Services Division of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, she does not indicate she has a right of access to this information under state or federal law. See Open Records Decision Nos. 598 (1991), 583 (1990), 451 (1986).