



KEN PAXTON
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

June 21, 2019

Lieutenant William Ryan
Record Division
Pharr Police Department
1900 South Cage Boulevard
Pharr, Texas 78577

OR2019-16904

Re: ORR P000811-051019

Dear Lieutenant Ryan:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 778439.

After reviewing your arguments and the submitted information, we have determined your request does not present a novel or complex issue. Thus, we are addressing your claims in a memorandum opinion. In this instance, the requestor does not give the requisite information under section 1701.661(a) of the Occupations Code. As the requestor did not properly request the body worn camera recording(s) at issue pursuant to chapter 1701, our ruling does not reach this information and it need not be released. You claim the remaining information may be withheld from the requestor pursuant to section 552.108(a)(1) of the Government Code. Upon review of your arguments and the remaining information, we conclude you may withhold the remaining information under section 552.108(a)(1). We note the submitted information includes information that may have been filed with a court. Information filed with a court is generally a matter of public record and may not be withheld from disclosure. Gov't Code § 552.022(a)(17); *Star-Telegram, Inc. v. Walker*, 834 S.W.2d 54 (Tex. 1992). Thus, if the information has been filed with a court, you must release the information. Further, you must release the basic information pursuant to section 552.108(c) of the Government Code.

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)