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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

September 18, 2019

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

OR2019-26110

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# 786510.

The Williamson County Sheriff's Office (the "sheriff's office") received a request for information pertaining to a named individual. You state the sheriff's office will redact dates of birth pursuant to Open Records Letter No. 2016-21706 (2016).¹ You claim the requested information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.101, 552.103, 552.108, and 552.137 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim.

You state the requested information was the subject of a previous request for a ruling, as a result of which this office issued Open Records Letter No. 2019-18850 (2019). In that ruling, we determined (1) the sheriff's office may withhold the responsive information not subject to section 552.022 of the Government Code under section 552.103(a) of the Government Code, (2) the sheriff's office must withhold the motor vehicle record information we marked under section 552.130 of the Government Code, and (3) the sheriff's office must release the remaining responsive information pursuant to

¹ Open Records Letter No. 2016-21706 is a previous determination issued to the sheriff's office authorizing it to withhold the dates of birth of public citizens under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with common-law privacy without seeking a ruling from this office. *See* Open Records Decision No. 673 (2001) (listing elements of second type of previous determination under section 552.301(a) of the Government Code).

prior ruling was based have not changed. Thus, the sheriff's office must continue to rely on Open Records Letter No. 2019-18850 as a previous determination and withhold or release the information at issue 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 information is precisely same information as was addressed in a prior attorney general ruling, ruling is addressed to same governmental body, and ruling concludes that information is or is not excepted from disclosure). As we are able to make this determination, we need not address your submitted arguments.

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 <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/members-public/what-expect-after-ruling-issued> or call the OAG's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Public Information Act may be directed to the Cost Rules Administrator of the OAG, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emily Kunst". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Emily Kunst
Assistant Attorney General
Open Records Division

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c: Requestor