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OR2019-32207

Re: Request for incident and arrest reports re case no. 19-229006 [Ref #19-1025-10859]

Dear Mr. Reed:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 805117.

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. You inform us you will release some of the submitted information, and we understand you will redact certain information pursuant to Open Records Letter No. 2016-10113 (2016) and section 552.130(c) of the Government Code.¹ You claim the remaining submitted 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 submitted information, we conclude you may withhold the remaining submitted information under section 552.108(a)(1). However, you must release the basic information pursuant to section

¹Open Records Letter No. 2016-10113 authorizes the El Paso Police Department to withhold the dates of birth of public citizens under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with common-law privacy without requesting a decision 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). Section 552.130(c) of the Government Code allows a governmental body to redact the information described in section 552.130(a) without the necessity of seeking a decision from the attorney general. *See* Gov't Code § 552.130(c). If a governmental body redacts such information, it must notify the requestor in accordance with section 552.130(e). *See id.* § 552.130(d), (e).

552.108(c) of the Government Code. Generally, basic information may not be withheld from public disclosure under section 552.103 of the Government Code. Open Records Decision No. 597 (1991).

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

Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)