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OR2022-06162

Dear Ms. Armstrong:

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# 933781 (ORR Nos. D033753-101821 and D038692-112921).

The Dallas Police Department (the "department") received two requests from different requestors for information pertaining to a specified incident. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.103 and 552.108 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted representative sample of information.¹

We note the submitted information was the subject of a previous request for information, in response to which this office issued Open Records Letter No. 2021-36255 (2021). In Open Records Letter No. 2021-36255, we determined the department 1) may withhold the information at issue under section 552.108(a)(1) of the Government Code; 2) must withhold the dates of birth under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with common-law privacy; and 3) must release the remaining information. We have no indication the law, facts, or circumstances on which the prior ruling was based have changed. Accordingly, the department may continue to rely on Open Records Letter No. 2021-36255 as a previous determination and withhold or release the submitted information in accordance with that ruling. *See* Open Records Decision No. 673 at 6-7 (2001) (discussing criteria for first type of previous determination)

¹ We assume the "representative sample" of records submitted to this office is truly representative of the requested records as a whole. *See* Open Records Decision Nos. 499 (1988), 497 (1988). This open records letter does not reach, and therefore does not authorize the withholding of, any other requested records to the extent those records contain substantially different types of information than that submitted to this office.

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,

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c: 2 Requestors