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OR2022-06448

Re: Request for ORR PIA2022-23

Dear Mr. Weathered:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 938794.

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, and we agree, the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement identification numbers in the submitted information are not subject to the Act and need not be released to the requestor. *See* Gov't Code § 552.002(a) (defining "public information" for purposes of Chapter 552 of the Government Code); *see also* Open Records Decision 581 (1990) (certain computer information, such as source codes, documentation information, and other computer programming, that has no significance other than its use as a tool for the maintenance, manipulation, or protection of public property, is not the kind of information that is made public under section 552.021 of the Government Code). You claim the information at issue may be withheld from the requestor pursuant to section 552.108(a)(1) of the Government Code. Upon review of your arguments and the information at issue, we conclude you may withhold the information at issue under section 552.108(a)(1). However, you must release the basic information pursuant to section 552.108(c) of the Government Code. In releasing basic information, you may withhold the complainant's identifying information pursuant to section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with the common-law informer's privilege.

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)