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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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

OR2022-20907

Re: Request for records from the detention of a named individual on a specified date

Dear Ms. Hutson:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 959924.

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 claim the 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 submitted information under section 552.108(a)(1).¹ However, you must release the basic information pursuant to section 552.108(c) of the Government Code. 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.

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)

¹ As our ruling is dispositive for this information, we need not address your remaining arguments against its disclosure. We note, generally, basic information may not be withheld from public disclosure under section 552.103 of the Government Code. Open Records Decision No. 597 (1991).