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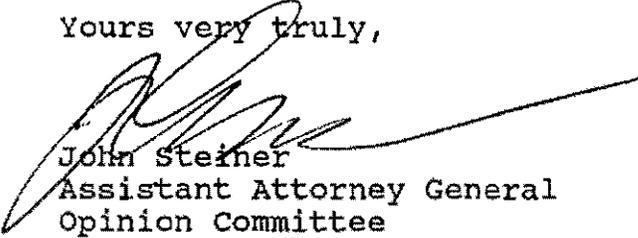
Dear Ms. Romero:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 8494.

We have considered the exception you claimed, specifically section 3(a)(3), and have reviewed the documents at issue. As you advise that settlement negotiations are pending and that litigation is reasonably anticipated with respect to the subject matter of the requested information, you may withhold the requested information. See, Open Records Decision No. 552 (1990). As section 3(a)(3) resolves your inquiry we have not considered the applicability, if any, of section 3(a)(4).

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR90-157.

Yours very truly,


John Steiner
Assistant Attorney General
Opinion Committee

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