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OR90-212

Dear Ms. Seidenfeld:

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# 9524.

The North East Independent School District received an open records request for certain itemized attorney billing statements. You contend that the attorney-client privilege aspect of section 3(a)(1) protects this information from public disclosure. A previous determination of this office, Open Records Decision No. 399 (1983), resolves your request. For this reason, you may withhold the portions of the billing statements that detail the actual work performed by the district's attorneys; the remaining information contained in the statements must be released.

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 OR90-212.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Garrison".

Susan Garrison
Assistant Attorney General
Opinion Committee

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Enclosure: Open Records Decision No. 399

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