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Mr. J. Kirk Brown
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P.O. Box 99
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OR90-279

Dear Mr. Brown:

You ask whether inmate travel cards are subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your requests were assigned ID#s 8660, 8663, 8664, 8665, and 9619.

We have considered the exception you claimed, specifically section 3(a)(1), as well as the terms of the Stipulated Modification to the Ruiz Amended Decree. A previous determination of this office, Open Records Decision No. 560 (1990), a copy of which is enclosed, resolves your request. For the reasons stated in Open Records Decision No. 560, questions regarding court orders in ongoing litigation to which your department is subject are properly within the jurisdiction of the forum court.

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 OR90-279.

Yours very truly,

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

Susan Garrison
Assistant Attorney General
Opinion Committee

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Ref.: ID# 8660, 8663, 8664, 8665, and 9619.

Enclosure: Open Records Decision No. 560

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