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OR91-476

Dear Ms. Shaunessy:

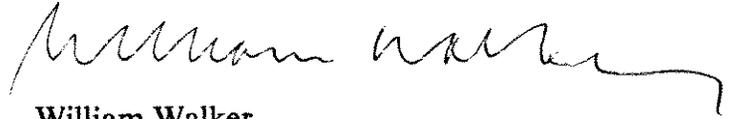
You ask whether certain information is excepted from required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 13703.

You have received a request for information relating to a certain lawsuit to which you are a party. You claim that the requested information is excepted by section 3(a)(3) of the Open Records Act.

Previous open records decisions issued by this office resolve your request. Open Records Decision No. 551 (1990) held that section 3(a)(3) applies when litigation in a specific matter is pending or reasonably anticipated and to information clearly relevant to the pending litigation. You have demonstrated that litigation is pending and that the requested information relates to that litigation. Accordingly, you may withhold the requested information under section 3(a)(3).

Because 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 OR91-476.

Yours very truly,



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