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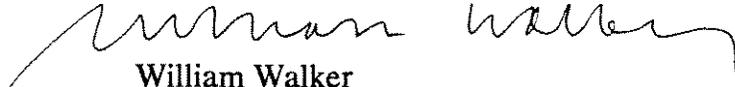
Dear Mr. Peck:

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# 15034.

The requestor, an inmate at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Institutional Division, seeks from the department information held by its Internal Affairs Division relating to his membership in an inmate gang. You contend that the requested information may be withheld from disclosure pursuant to section 3(a)(8) of the Open Records Act, which permits the withholding of records of law enforcement agencies and prosecutors that deal with the detection, investigation, and prosecution of crime and the internal records and notations of such law enforcement agencies and prosecutors which are maintained for internal use in matters relating to law enforcement and prosecution. We agree that the information may be withheld under section 3(a)(8). *See, e.g.,* Open Records Decision No. 413 (1984).

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 OR92-233.

Yours very truly,



William Walker
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Enclosure: Open Records Decision No. 413

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