



OFFICE *of the* ATTORNEY GENERAL
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March 12, 2003

Chief Dennis Clifton
Livingston Police Department
208 W. Church
Livingston, Texas 77351

OR2003-1622

Re: Request for a criminal history check of a named person

Dear Chief Clifton:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 180043.

After reviewing your arguments and the submitted information, we have determined that your request does not present a novel or complex issue. Thus, we are addressing your claims in a memorandum opinion. You claim that the requested information may be withheld from the requestor pursuant to section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with *United States Department of Justice v. Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press*, 489 U.S. 749 (1989). We have considered your arguments and the submitted information and have determined that in accordance with section 552.101, you must withhold the requested information.

For more information on the cited exception, as well as information on the rights and obligations of governmental bodies and requestors, please refer to open government information contained on the Office of the Attorney General website at www.oag.state.tx.us. You may also contact our Open Government Hotline at 1-877-OPENTEX.

Enc: Submitted documents

c: Ms. Lilly Reed
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(w/o enclosures)