



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS
GREG ABBOTT

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Mr. Larry Lynch
McLennan County
219 North 6th Street
Waco, Texas 76701

OR2008-02289

Re: Request for offense for which any escapee since 2006 was charged or sentenced, offense for which any walkoff inmates since 2006 were charged or sentenced, dates of escape/walkoff for each inmate, date the inmates were returned to custody, arresting agency for each inmate returned to custody, date arrest warrant was issued for each escape/walkoff since 2006 and the status of the warrants

Dear Mr. Lynch:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 307705.

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 submitted information may be withheld from the requestor pursuant to section 552.108(a)(1) of the Government Code. We have considered your arguments and the submitted information and have determined that in accordance with section 552.108(a)(1) you may withhold the submitted information. However, you must release the basic information pursuant to section 552.108(c) of the Government Code. We note that the submitted information includes court documents. Information filed with a court is generally a matter of public record and may not be withheld from disclosure. Gov't Code § 552.022(a)(17); *Star-Telegram, Inc. v. Walker*, 834 S.W.2d 54 (Tex. 1992). Thus, if the information has been filed with a court, you must release the 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

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