



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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December 1, 2008

Ms. Katie Lentz
Open Records
Williamson County Sheriffs Office
508 South Rock Street
Georgetown Texas 78626

OR2008-16288

Re: Request for offense reports/incident reports/911 calls: Billy Edward Brown and any offense reports, incident reports and/or 911 call records for the time period of January 1, 2006 through and including November 4, 2008 which involved Billy Edward Brown

Dear Ms. Lentz:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 333694.

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-OPEN TEX.

Enc: Submitted documents

cc: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)