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December 10, 2008

Ms. Cecilia Gamez  
Crime Records Bureau  
City of McAllen Police Department  
P. O. Box 220  
McAllen, Texas 78501

OR2008-16807

Re: Request for 6 categories of information pertaining to Mr. Jason Garza, who was arrested for allegedly driving while intoxicated on November 14, 2008

Dear Ms. Gamez:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 334751.

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](http://www.oag.state.tx.us). You may also contact our Open Government Hotline at 1-877-OPENTEX.

Enc: Submitted documents

cc: Requestor  
(w/o enclosures)