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Ms. Michelle L. Villarreal
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Waco, Texas 76702-2570

OR2009-01703

Dear Ms. Villarreal:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Public Information Act (the "Act"), chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 338492(LGL-09-036).

The Waco Police Department (the "department") received a request for information relating to an accident involving two named individuals. You inform us that some of the requested information either has been or will be released. You claim that other responsive information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the information you submitted.

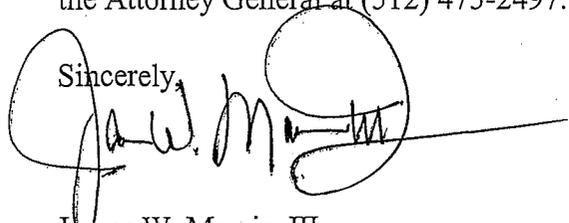
Section 552.130 of the Government Code excepts from disclosure information relating to a motor vehicle operator's or driver's license or permit or a motor vehicle title or registration issued by an agency of this state. *See* Gov't Code § 552.130(a)(1)-(2). We agree that the department must withhold the Texas driver's license number, license plate number, and license year that you have highlighted under section 552.130.¹ The rest of the submitted information must be released.

¹We note that the remaining information includes a social security number. Section 552.147(b) of the Government Code authorizes a governmental body to redact a living person's social security number from public release without the necessity of requesting a decision from this office under the Act.

This letter ruling is limited to the particular information at issue in this request and limited to the facts as presented to us; therefore, this ruling must not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other information or any other circumstances.

This ruling triggers important deadlines regarding the rights and responsibilities of the governmental body and of the requestor. For more information concerning those rights and responsibilities, please visit our website at http://www.oag.state.tx.us/open/index_orl.php, or call the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Act must be directed to the Cost Rules Administrator of the Office of the Attorney General at (512) 475-2497.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.W. Morris, III", is written over a circular stamp. A horizontal line extends from the end of the signature to the right.

James W. Morris, III
Assistant Attorney General
Open Records Division

JWM/cc

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Enc: Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)