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Mr. Albert D. Hammack  
Town Attorney  
Town of Highland Park, Texas  
4700 Drexel Drive  
Highland Park, Texas 75205

OR2009-06384

Dear Mr. Hammack:

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# 342987.

The Town of Highland Park (the "town") received a request for copies of the employment applications and/or agreements with the town for four named employees. You state that you have released redacted copies of the employment applications to the requestor. You claim that portions of the requested information are excepted from disclosure under sections 552.117 and 552.147 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

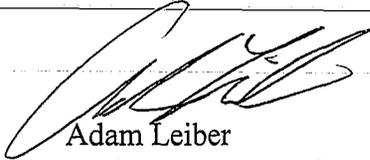
Section 552.117(a)(1) of the Government Code excepts from disclosure the current and former home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and family member information of current or former officials or employees of a governmental body who request that this information be kept confidential under section 552.024 of the Government Code. Gov't Code § 552.117(a)(1). Whether a particular piece of information is protected under section 552.117(a)(1) must be determined at the time the request for it is made. *See* Open records Decision No. 530 at 5 (1989). You state, and provide documentation showing, that the employees at issue made a timely request in accordance with section 552.024 to keep their personal information confidential. Based on your representation, we find that the information you have marked, as well as the additional information we have marked, is confidential under section 552.117 of the Government Code and must be withheld on that

basis. As our ruling is dispositive under section 552.117(a)(1), we need not address your argument under section 552.147 of the Government Code.

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](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,



Adam Leiber  
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Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor  
(w/o enclosures)