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Dear Ms. Fleming:

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# 534948.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (the "department") received a request for documentation from the Administrative Segregation Committee and State Classification Committee hearings initially reviewing the specified offender's placement in administrative segregation. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.134 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.134 of the Government Code is applicable to information relating to inmates and former inmates of the department and provides the following, in pertinent part:

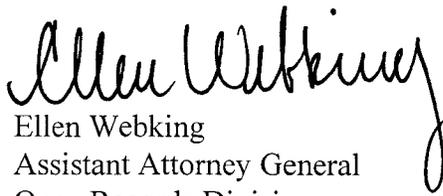
Except as provided by Subsection (b) or by Section 552.029 [of the Government Code], information obtained or maintained by the [department] is excepted from [required public disclosure] if it is information about an inmate who is confined in a facility operated by or under a contract with the department.

Gov't Code § 552.134(a). You state the submitted documentation from the Administrative Segregation Committee and State Classification Committee consists of information about an inmate confined in a facility operated by the department for the purposes of section 552.134. You assert, and we agree, the exceptions in section 552.029 are not applicable in this instance. Accordingly, we conclude the department must withhold the submitted information pursuant to section 552.134 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.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open/orl_ruling_info.shtml, 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 may be directed to the Office of the Attorney General, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



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