

Office of the Sheriff Howard County, Maryland

Marcus Harris Sheriff

7/6/2023

To Ms. Deborah Katz Levi

The Howard County Sheriff's Office does not own nor have access to any type of facial recognition software since January 1, 2022 nor before that date. Since we do not have facial Recognition Software, the below questions do not apply to our agency.

- A list of every instance in which the Howard County Sheriff has used facial recognition software – including but not limited to the Thales Cogent Mugshot System (CMS) – since January 1, 2022;

- A list of all Facial Recognition (FR) Record Numbers and/or CMS Transaction Numbers generated since January 1, 2022;

- A list of all facial recognition software systems used by the Howard County Sheriff since January 1, 2022;

- Contracts between the Howard County Sheriff and any facial recognition software companies;

- Users manuals for all facial recognition software used by the Howard County Sheriff;

- The total number of Facial Recognition Match Reports generated since January 1, 2022;
- The total number of positive facial recognition results generated since January 1, 2022;

- The total number of instances in which the Howard County Sheriff identified a suspect or person of interest using facial recognition software since January 1, 2022;

- A list of all social media platforms used by the Howard County Sheriff in conjunction with facial recognition software;

- All the Howard County Sheriff policies and procedures pertaining to the use of facial recognition software;



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- Names of all individuals employed or contracted by the Howard County Sheriff who are trained in the use of facial recognition software;

- A description of the Howard County Sheriff's facial recognition training requirements.

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