

Peter G. Smith E-Mail: psmith@njdhs.com

May 7, 2019

Ron Silver Address Unknown City, State & Zip Unknown

RE: City of Richardson, Texas Request for Attorney General Opinion Relating to Public Information Request Dated April 23, 2019

Dear Ron Silver:

Please be advised that as City Attorney for the City of Richardson, Texas, we have requested a decision from the Texas Attorney General about whether some of the information responsive to your request dated April 23, 2019 is excepted from disclosure pursuant to Sections 552.101, 552.103, 552.108, and 552.130 of the Texas Government Code. A copy of our request for a decision from the Texas Attorney General is enclosed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely.

Peter G. Smith City Attorney

City of Richardson

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Texas Attorney General Open Records Division with enclosures



## **Richardson Police Department** ORI: TX0572000

**INCIDENT REPORT** Incident: 201900033013

**INCIDENT DATES/TIMES:** 

**Reported Date/Time:** 04/03/2019

11:18:13

**Completed Date/Time:** 

Earliest Date/Time: 04/03/2019

10:35:00

Latest Date/Time: 04/03/2019

10:35:00

**Officer:** 00001413

Griggs, Natalie

**INCIDENT LOCATION:** 

714 W Arapaho Rd Apt 216

Richardson

TX75080

**Dallas County** 

**OFFENSES:** 

IBR Offense - Description

Statute - Description

Degree Class Level

13B 0013990043 - Injury Child/Elderly/D 22.04(f) - Injury Child/elderly/disable W/int Bodily Inj

714 W Arapaho Rd Apt 216

Felony

Description:

**VICTIM(S):** 

Name

Age 72

Race Sex

M

Address

City/State/Zip

Richardson, TX 75080

**VEHICLE(S):** 

Silver, Ronald Neal

State

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Make/Model

Color

Loss Type

Value

**PROPERTY:** 

Loss

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Type No.

Make/Model/Style

Description

Value:\$

Serial#:

# Richardson Police Department Arrest Report

BKG#:201900001104

CID#: 000000735315

Inmate Name: Silver, Stuart Neal

Home Address: 6917 Middle Cv Apt#: Dallas, TX 75248

**Phone #:** 2149068660

POB: AZ

Sex: M Race: W

Height: 509 Weight: 170

Hair: BLN Eyes: BRO Marital Status: S

Employer: Self Employed

Arrest Location: 714 W. Arapaho Rd #216, Richardson Tx

# SCARS, MARKS, TATTOOS

**SMT** 

**Additional Decription** 

#### **CHARGES**

Charge

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**Statute** 

Injury Child/elderly/disable W/int Bodily Inj

Felony 3

22.04(f)/13990043

Bond/Fine: \$50,000.00

**Agency: Richardson Police Department** 

**Arr Off:** N.Griggs #1413 **Service#:** 201900033013

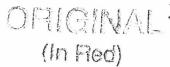
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Arr Date/Time: 04/03/2019 11:55 Rel Date/Time: 04/04/20120:36 Charge Status: Transferred

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# OPIGINAL WARRANT OF ARREST AND DETENTION DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS FELONY BOND AMOUNT \$ 59,000

COURT NO	WARRANT NO
The State of Texas vs. Silver, Stuart Neal	ORIGINAL TO JAIL
Arrest Status IN CUSTODY	FOR TRANSFER TO DSO NA #963 44-19 @ 1217
Race W Sex M DOB Ht. 5'09" Residence: 6917 Middle Cv, Dallas, TX	Wt 170 Hair. <u>BLONDE</u> Eye <u>BROWN</u>
Business Address: , ,	
Name of Business: Self Employed D.L. # State	
Complainant: Ronald Silver	J
Date of Offense: <u>04/03/2019</u>	ate Complaint Filed :
Warrant of Arrest Issued: City of Richardson Police Department IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF TEXAS TO ANY SHERIFF OR OTHER PEACE OFFICER OF THE STATE OF TEXAS - GREETINGS:	
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to take instanter the body of:	
Silver, Stuart Neal	
Hereinafter called the accused, and him safely keep so that he may be dealt with according to law, and to hold the accused to answer to the State of Texas for an offense against the laws of the said State, namely:	
Injury Child/elderly/disable W/int Bodily Inj T.P.C. 22.04 F/3	
Of which Felony offense he is accused by written complaint, made, under oath, that has been presented to me and that is by this reference incorporated herein for all purposes.	
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE THIS	DAY OF April 2019
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	Magistrate
	Municipal Court City of Richardson, Texas
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# AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

ORIGINAL (In Fled)

Cause: Offense: Arrest:

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF DALLAS

**BEFORE ME**, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared the undersigned affiant, who after being duly sworn by me, on oath stated: My name is R.VANWIEREN 1042 and I am a peace officer for the City of Richardson, Dallas County, Texas.

I. the affiant, have good reason to believe and do believe that on or about the 3rd day of APRIL, 2019, one Silver, Stuart Neal did then and there in the City of Richardson, Dallas County, Texas, commit the criminal offense of:

Injury Child/elderly/disable W/int Bodily Inj, a violation of Section 22.04, Texas Penal Code, a F/3. Affiant's belief is based upon facts and information in the narrative which is attached and incorporated herein. which Affiant received from:

N. GRIGGS #1413, a fellow peace Officer of the City of Richardson, DALLAS County, Texas, who personally participated in the investigation of this alleged offense, providing this information to Affiant, and whose information Affiant believes to be credible.

**AFFIANT** 

WHEREFORE, Affiant requests that an arrest warrant be issued for the above accused individual(s) in accordance

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 4TH

Magistrate

day of APRIL

**Municipal Court** 

City of Richardson, Texas

Magistrate's Determination of Probable Cause

On this the 4 day of 40

V , 2019.

I hereby acknowledge that I have determined that probable cause exists for the issuance of an arrest warrant for the individual accused therein.

Magistrate

**Municipal Court** 

City of Richardson, Texas

Narrative.....

On 04/03/2019 at 11:20am, Officer N. Griggs 1413, Officer A. Thompson 437 and Officer M. Cross 1115 were dispatched to Eldorado Retirement, 714 W Arapaho Rd Apartment 216, Richardson, Dallas County, Texas regarding a disturbance.

Officer Griggs contacted the resident, Ronald Silver (72 years old), who stated his son, Stuart Silver (w/m, hit him at approximately 10:35am. Ronald Silver advised his son was laying in the bedroom asleep and he wanted his son out of the residence. Ronald advised his son hit him on right forearm. Officer Griggs observed a fresh wound on Ronald Silver's right forearm with bright red blood covering his entire forearm. The skin on Ronald Silver's forearm looked torn. When Officer Griggs asked how his son hit him, Ronald Silver a stated "oh. You wanna know how he hit me?" then made a closed fist with his right hand and punched the open palm of his left hand. Ronald Silver stated the only place Stuart hit him was his right arm.

Officer Griggs contacted the son who had blood on his face and left hand. Blood did not appear to belong to Stuart Silver due to the fact he had no cuts or abrasions. Officer Griggs observed Stuart Silver dressed only in boxers with bruises on his right bicep. Officer Griggs observed blood on the sheets of the bed next to where Stuart Silver was lying down. Officers had trouble attempting to wake Stuart Silver. Officer Griggs and Officer Thompson smelled the odor of alcohol coming from Stuart Silver. Stuart Silver verbally identified himself to Officer Thompson. Officer Thompson then located a wallet containing DL that was also used to identify Stuart Neal Silver.

Stuart Silver is not a resident at the Eldorado Retirement Home, 714 W Arapaho Rd, and does not need to return for any property.

RFD was notified and responded. Ronald Silver refused to be treated by paramedics. Ronald Silver became irate and uncooperative.

Officer Griggs took photos of the blood on the bed in the bedroom, the blood on Stuart Silver's hands and face, and overall condition of Ronald Silver. Officer Griggs attempted to take photos of the wounds on Ronald Silver's forearm, but he refused to allow Officers to do so.

Stuart Silver was transported to the RPD Jail and charged with T.P.C. 22.04 Injury to Elderly Individual, F/3.

Officer Griggs completed a Notice of 4-hour Extended Incarceration.

Officer Griggs completed an Application of Extended Incarceration.

Officer Griggs completed an Emergency Protective Order.



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#### CASE/REFERENCE NO. 201900033013

STATE OF TEXAS **COUNTY OF DALLAS** CITY OF RICHARDSON

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT 8 IN AND FOR THE 9 § CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS

#### ORDER FOR EMERGENCY PROTECTION

1. Came this day to be heard the request for issuance of an order for emergency protection. The protected person is:

Sucede este día para ser escuchado la solicitud de una orden de protección de emergencia. La persona protegida es:

Ronald Neal Silver Full Name Nombre v apellido

W/M Race / Sex Etnia/Sexo

05/24/1946 Date of Birth

La fecha del Nacimiento

2. The Respondent and person against whom this Order is effective is:

El Respondiente y la persona contra quien esta

Stuart Neal Silver

Full Name/Nombre y apellido

6917 Middle Cove

Street Address / Domicilio

Dallas, Texas, 75248

City, State, Zip/La ciudad, el Estado, el código postal

- 3. It appears to the Court, based upon the information, evidence and argument presented herein, that the Respondent identified above has been arrested for an offense involving family violence, sexual assault (§ 22.011), aggravated sexual assault (§ 22.021), trafficking of persons (§§ 20.A.02, 20.A.03) or stalking (§ 42.072), and that good cause exists for the issuance of the orders contained herein. Accordingly, it
- 4. ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Respondent be and is hereby prohibited from engaging in any of the following acts:
  - a) committing family violence, assault, or any act in furtherance of an offense under Section 42.072, Texas Penal Code [Stalking];
- b) communicating directly with the protected party or a member of the family or household of the protected party in a threatening or harassing manner;
- c) communicating a threat through any person to the protected party or a member of the family or household of the protected party;
- d) going within 100 feet of the residence, place of employment or business of the protected party or a member of the family or household of the protected person;
- e) going within 100 feet of the residence, child care facility, or school where a child protected under this Order resides or attends.

Orden es efectiva es: 06/18/1988

Date of Birth/La fecha del Nacimiento

Sex/Sexo

White

Race/Etnia

Aparece al Tribunal, basado en la información, la evidencia y el argumento presentado, que el Respondiente identificado arriba ha sido detenido por una ofensa que implica la violencia hacia la familia, asalto sexual (§ 22.011), asalto sexual agravado (§ 22.021), tráfico de personas (§§ 20A.02, 20B.03), o acecho (§ 42.072), y existe buena causa para la emisión de las órdenes contenidas en este documento. Consiguientemente, es

ORDENADO, ADJUDICADO Y DECRETO que el Respondiente sea prohibido de tomar parte en cualquiera de los actos siguientes:

- a) cometer asalto de violencia hacía la familia o cualquier acto por adelantado de una ofensa bajo la Sección 42.072, Texas Código Penal [Cazando al acecho];
- b) comunicarse directamente con la persona protegida o un miembro de la familia o la casa del protegido(a) en una manera de acoso o amenazante;
- c) comunicar una amenaza por medio de cualquier persona a el protegido(a) o un miembro de la familia o la casa de la persona protegida;
- d) ir dentro de 100 pies de la residencia, el lugar de empleo o el negocio propio de la persona protegida o un miembro de la familia o la casa de la persona protegida;
- e) ir dentro de 100 pies de la residencia, de la facilidad del cuidado del niño, o de la escuela

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- f) possessing a firearm, unless Respondent is a peace officer, as defined by Section 1.07, Penal Code, actively engaged in employment as a sworn, full-time paid employee of a state agency or political subdivision.
- 5. The Court further finds that for the safety of the protected party/parties protected under this Order, AND HEREBY FURTHER ORDERS that the addresses and specific locations of the protected party/parties protected by the Order shall remain confidential and shall be omitted from the Order.

Yes/Si

IF NO, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the specific locations from which Respondent is prohibited from going within 100 feet are as follows:

a) RESIDENCE/RESIDENCIA

714 W Arapaho Rd Apt #216 (Street Address / Domicilio) Richardson, Texas, 75080

(City, State, Zip/La ciudad, el Estado, el código postal)

c) CHILD CARE FACILITY/SCHOOL

(Child Care/School Name) (Street Address) (City, State, Zip)

6. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall remain effective and in full force for a period of 61

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days of and from the date of issuance stated herein below. A copy of this Order shall be sent to the protected person, Chief of Police of the City of Richardson, the chief of police of the municipality in which the protected person resides and, if none, then the Sheriff of the County of the protected person's residence, and to the person in charge of the day care facilities or schools identified hereinabove.

(circle one)

donde un niño protegido bajo esta Orden reside o asiste. f) Poseer un arma de fuego, a menos que el Demandado sea un oficial de la paz, como se define en la Sección 1.07, Código Penal,

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activamente contratado como empleado juramentado a tiempo completo de una agencia estatal o subdivisión política

Sobre la base de los hechos presentados, la Corte considera, además, que por la seguridad de la persona protegida por la orden presente, y resuelve además que las direcciones y lugares específicos de la persona(s) protegida por la Orden serán confidenciales y deberán ser omitidos de la Orden.

No/No

SI NO, TAMBIEN ORDENO que las locaciones específicas de cuál Respondiente tiene prohibido de ir dentro de 100 pies son así:

b) BUSINESS/ NEGOCIO

(Business/Company Name/Nombre de compañía

(Street Address / Domicillo)

(City, State, Zip/ Ciudad, Estado, Código postal)

FACILIDAD/ESCUELA de CUIDADO de NIÑO

(Nombre de la Escuela/Guarderla del niño) (Domícilio)

(Ciudad, Estado, Código postal)

TAMBIEN ORDENO que esta Orden se quedaráen efecto y validez absoluta por un período de

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(circula días de y de la fecha de emisión indicada abajo de la orden. Una copia de esta Orden será enviada a la persona protegida, al Jefe de Policía de la Ciudad de Richardson, el Jefe de policia de la municipalidad en que la persona protegida reside y, si ninguno, entonces el Alguacil del Condado de la residencia de la persona protegida y la persona encargada del cuidado del niño(a) o escuelas

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7. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the Respondent holds a license to carry a concealed handgun issued under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Texas Gov't Code, said license to carry a concealed handgun is hereby suspended for the duration of this Order.

The Clerk is further ordered to send a facsimile copy of this Order to the appropriate division of the Department of Public Safety.

8. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent is entitled to a hearing to modify the terms of or dissolve this Order upon proper application to the Richardson Municipal Court.

TAMBIEN ORDENÓ que si el demandado posee una licencia para portar una pistola oculta emitida bajo el Subcapítulo H, Capítulo 411, Texas Código de Gobierno, esta licencia para portar una pistola oculta queda suspendida durante el tiempo en efecto de la Orden presente.

Al secretario se ordena que envíe una copia facsímil de la orden a la división adecuada del Departamento de Seguridad Pública

TAMBIEN ORDENÓ que el Respondiente tiene derecho a una audiencia para modificar los términos o para disolver esta Orden cuando se haga una aplicación apropiada al Tribunal Municipal de Richardson.

a NOTA:

UNA INFRACCION DE ESTA ORDEN POR la COMISION DE UN ACTO PROHIBIDO POR ESTA ORDEN ES PLINIBLE POR LINA MULTA DE HASTA

#### NOTICE / La NOTA:

A VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER BY COMMISSION OF AN ACT PROHIBITED BY THE ORDER MAY BE PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF AS MUCH AS \$4,000 OR BY CONFINEMENT IN JAIL FOR AS LONG AS ONE YEAR OR BY BOTH. AN ACT THAT RESULTS IN FAMILY VIOLENCE OR A STALKING OR TRAFFICKING OFFENSE MAY BE PROSECUTED AS A SEPARATE MISDEMEANOR OR FELONY OFFENSE, AS APPLICABLE. IF THE ACT IS PROSECUTED AS A SEPARATE FELONY OFFENSE, IT IS PUNISHABLE BY CONFINEMENT IN PRISON FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS. THE POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY A PERSON, OTHER THAN A PEACE OFFICER, AS DEFINED BY SECTION 1.07, PENAL CODE, ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN EMPLOYMENT AS A SWORN, FULL-TIME PAID EMPLOYEE OF A STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, WHO IS SUBJECT TO THIS ORDER MAY BE PROSECUTED AS A SEPARATE OFFENSE PUNISHABLE CONFINEMENT BY IMPRISONMENT.

NO PERSON, INCLUDING A PERSON WHO IS PROTECTED BY THIS ORDER, MAY GIVE PERMISSION TO ANYONE TO IGNORE OR VIOLATE ANY PROVISION OF THIS ORDER. DURING THE TIME IN WHICH THIS ORDER IS VALID, EVERY PROVISION OF THIS ORDER IS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNLESS A COURT CHANGES THE ORDER.

ORDEN ES PUNIBLE POR UNA MULTA DE HASTA \$4,000 O POR el CONFINAMIENTO EN la CARCEL POR UN TERMINO DE A LO MAS UN AÑO O POR LAS DOS. UN ACTO QUE RESULTA EN la VIOLENCIA de la FAMILIA DE UNA OFENSA DE ACOSAR PUEDE SER PROCESADA COMO UNA OFENSA SEPARADA de DELITO O CRIMEN GRAVE. SI EL ACTO SE PROCESA COMO UNA OFENSA SEPARADA de CRIMEN GRAVE, ES PUNIBLE POR el CONFINAMIENTO EN la PRISION POR LO MENOS DOS AÑOS. LA POSESION DE UN FUSIL POR UNA PERSONA, MENOS QUE SEA QUE UN OFICIAL de la PAZ, COMO DETERMINADO POR la SECCION 1:07, CODIGO PENAL, EMPLEADO ACTIVAMENTE COMO UN JURADO, JORNADO A TIEMPO COMPLETO O EMPLEADO DE UNA AGENCIA del ESTADO O la SUBDIVISION POLITICA, QUE ES SUSCEPTIBLE A SUBDIVISION POLITICA, DE CESAR COMO UNA ESTA ORDEN SE PUEDE PROCESAR COMO UNA DEFINSA SEPARADA PUNIBLE POR el CONFINAMIENTO O EI ENCARCELAMIENTO.

NINGUNA PERSONA, INCLUYENDO LA PERSONA QUE ES PROTEGIDA POR ESTA ORDEN, PODRA DAR PERMISO A NADIE PARA IGNORAR O VIOLAR CUALQUIER PROVISION DE ESTA ORDEN DURANTE EL TIEMPO EN EL QUE ESTA ORDEN ES VALIDA, CADA PROVISION DE ESTA ORDEN ESTA EN COMPLETA FUERZA Y EFECTO A MENOS QUE UN TRIBUNAL CAMBIE LA ORDEN.

## WARNINGS UNDER FEDERAL LAW / Las ADVERTENCIAS BAJO la LEY FEDERAL

- THIS ORDER IS ENFORCEABLE IN ALL 50 STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TRIBAL LANDS, AND U.S. TERRITORIES. 18 U.S.C., SECTION 2265.
- ESTA ORDEN ES APLICABLE EN 50 ESTADOS, EL DISTRITO DE COLUMBIA, DE TIERRAS TRIBALES, Y DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS TERRITORIOS. 18 U. S. C., la SECCION 2265

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- INTERSTATE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER MAY SUBJECT THE RESPONDENT TO FEDERAL CRIMINAL PENALTIES. 18 U.S.C., SECTIONS 2261, 2262.
- POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, OR RECEIPT OF A FIREARM WHILE THIS ORDER REMAINS IN EFFECT MAY BE A FELONY UNDER FEDERAL LAW PUNISHABLE BY UP TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON AND/OR A FINE.
- IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON WHO IS SUBJECT TO A PROTECTIVE ORDER TO POSSESS A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION.
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   La INFRACCION INTERESTATAL DE ESTA ORDEN SUJETA A EL RESPONDIENTE A PENAS CRIMINALES FEDERALES. 18 U. S. C., SECCIONES 2261, 2262.
- POSESION, TRANSPORTE, O RECIBO DE UN FUSIL MIENTRAS ESTA ORDEN ESTA EN EFECTO SERA UN CRIMEN GRAVE BAJO Ia LEY FEDERAL PUNIBLE POR HASTA 10 AÑOS EN PRISION Y/O UNA MULTA.
- ES ILEGAL PARA CUALQUIER PERSONA QUE ES SUSCEPTIBLE A UNA ORDEN PREVENTIVA POSEER UN FUSIL O LA MUNICION.

Respondent may go to the above listed El Respondiente puede ir al dirección de residence address on one occasion within residencia en una ocasión dentro de veinte y twenty-four (24) hours of release from iail to cuatro (24) horas de la liberación de la cárcel

twenty-four (24) hours of release from jail to obtain personal articles of immediate necessity while accompanied by a Peace Officer on civil standby, if approved by the agency. Failure to be accompanied by a Peace Officer will be a violation of this Order.

SIGNED AND ISSUED (FIRMADO Y PUBLICADO) at

residencia en una ocasión dentro de veinte y cuatro (24) horas de la liberación de la cárcel para obtener artículos personales de necesidad inmediata mientras acompañado de un Oficial de la Paz en la reserva civil, si aprobado por la agencia. El no ser acompañado de un Oficial de la Paz será una infracción de esta Orden.

o'clock, A .M., this (este)

JUDGE, MUNICIPAL COURTIN AND FOR THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS
EI JUEZ, del TRIBUNAL MUNICIPAL EN Y PARA LA CIUDAD DE RICHARDSON, TEXAS

#### "DELIVERY CONFIRMATION"

I, a City of Richardson Detention Officer, the Magistrate's authorized designee, confirm delivery of this Order for Emergency Protection upon the Respondent.

Date: 4 - 4 - 19

day of (dia de)

Magistrate Designee:

#### \*\* RESPONDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT \*\*

I, the above-referenced Respondent, acknowledge receipt of said Orger for Emergency Protection.

Date 4 - 4 - 19

Respondent

#### \*\* CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE OF ORDER FOR EMERGENCY PROTECTION \*\*

I, the undersigned Magistrate of the State of Texas, certify that a complete copy of this Order for Emergency Protection issued in the above-referenced Case was served on the Respondent in said Order, by the undersigned Magistrate's designee, a City of Richardson Detention Officer, in person.

SIGNED (FIRMADO)

JUDGE, MUNICIPAL COURT IN AND FOR THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS EI JUEZ, del TRIBUNAL MUNICIPAL EN Y PARA LA CIUDAD DE RICHARDSON, TEXAS

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Peter G. Smith E-Mail: psmith@njdhs.com

May 7, 2019

Open Records Division Office of the Attorney General State of Texas P.O. Box 12548 Austin, Texas 78711-2548

RE: Public Information Request Received by the City of Richardson Police Department, from Ron Silver, dated April 23, 2019

Dear Open Records Division:

As the City Attorney for the City of Richardson, we are writing to request an opinion on the above referenced request for public information, pursuant to Sections 552.101, 552.103, 552.108, and 552.130 of the Texas Government Code. A true and correct copy of the request is attached as Exhibit "A". The request was received by the City on April 23, 2019. We responded to the requestor by a separate letter along with a portion responsive information, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B". We have enclosed a true and correct copy of the responsive document we seek to withhold attached as Exhibit "C".

The City asserts that the responsive information is excepted from public disclosure pursuant to the litigation exception of Section 552.103 of the Texas Government Code, as it is part of a case file that the Police Department intends to file, or has already filed with the District Attorney's Office. The release of the information would circumvent rules of discovery established for litigation proceedings. Furthermore, release of the information places undo hardship on the Police Department and individuals prosecuting the case. Therefore, the responsive information is excepted from disclosure pursuant to Section 552.103 of the Texas Government Code.

The City asserts that the requested information is excepted from public disclosure pursuant to Section 552.108 of the Texas Government Code. Section 552.108 excepts from required public disclosure informationabeld by a law enforcement agency or POLICE

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Richardson, TX
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prosecutor which deals with the detection, investigation, or prosecution of crime if the release of the information would interfere with the detection, investigation, or prosecution of the crime, Texas Government Code, Section 552.108(a). In this case, the responsive information is information held by a law enforcement agency which pertains to a crime which has not been fully investigated. Releasing this information to the requestor would release personal contact information pertaining to other witnesses involved and would interfere with the detection, investigation or prosecution of a crime. For example, the release of the information could subject witnesses to possible intimidation or harassment, harm the prospects of future cooperation by witnesses and disclose investigative techniques and leads in the investigation. Since the case is still an active, pending case, releasing such information would unduly interfere with the investigation, detection and prosecution of this case. Therefore, the responsive information is excepted from disclosure pursuant to Section 552.108(a).

The City asserts that portions of the responsive information are excepted from public disclosure pursuant to Section 552.130 of the Texas Government Code. Section 552.130 provides that (a) Information is excepted from the requirement of Section 552.021 if the information relates to (1) a motor vehicle operator's or driver's license or permit issued by an agency of this state; [or] (2) a motor vehicle title or registration issued by an agency of this state [.] This exception requires a government body to withhold Texas motor vehicle information such as the Texas driver's license number, vehicle identification number, the type/class of license, copy of the license and license plate number under Section 552.130. Therefore, portions of the requested document are excepted from disclosure pursuant to Section 552.130 of the Texas Government Code.

Your office has issued a previous determination (OR2017-00069) on January 3, 2017, which authorizes the City to withhold the dates of birth of public citizens under Section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with common-law privacy.

In accordance with the provisions of the Public Information Act, we are providing your office with all relevant documents. We respectfully request that you review these records and issue an opinion with regard to the confidential or public nature of the documents. Should you have further questions regarding this matter or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact this office. Thank you for your attention herein.

Please reference file number P001288 in your response.

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Sincerely,

Peter J Smith
City Attorney
City of Richardson

/sj

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cc: Ron Silver without enclosures