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March 29, 2022

### Via Hand Delivery

Attorney General of Texas Open Records Division 209 West 14th Street, 6th Floor Austin, Texas 78701

RE: Public Information Request for records regarding the investigation of Impersonating a Public Servant in Collin County (PIR # 22-0740)

## DATE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RECEIVED: DATE REQUEST FOR RULING SUBMITTED TO ATTORNEY GENERAL:

3/17/2022 3/29/2022

Dear Open Records Division:

The Department of Public Safety received the above-referenced request for information from Paul Chabot on March 17, 2022. We believe some or all of the requested information is excepted from required public disclosure pursuant to section 552.108 of the Government Code. Accordingly, we are requesting a ruling regarding the release of these records.

A copy of the basic information has been provided to the requestor. As a result of the above-referenced incident, charges are pending against one or more individuals. Thus, the Department believes the requested information is excepted from required public disclosure pursuant to section 552.108(a)(1) of the Government Code, which states:

- (a) Information held by a law enforcement agency or prosecutor that deals with the detection, investigation, or prosecution of crime is excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021 if:
  - (1) release of the information would interfere with the detection, investigation, or prosecution of crime.

Because this is an ongoing criminal case, the release of potential evidence would interfere with the investigation and prosecution of this case. *See Houston Chronicle Publ'g Co. v. City of Houston*, 531 S.W.2d 177, 184-85 (Tex. Civ. App.—Houston [14th Dist.] 1975), *writ ref'd n.r.e.*, 536 S.W.2d 559 (Tex. 1976) (per curiam). Consequently, the Department believes these responsive records are excepted from required public disclosure at least until the criminal case is resolved.

We are enclosing copies of the investigation reports we wish to withhold. In addition, we wish to withhold all records held as evidence in this case, which are described in the reports. In order to avoid unnecessarily compromising the chain of custody, we have not copied the evidentiary records. However, if you will need to review these records in order to determine whether they can be withheld, please contact me immediately, and we will have copies made for you.

Please find enclosed the request from Paul Chabot, the notice of our request for a ruling sent to the requestor, and a representative sample of the records we wish to except from required disclosure. Please feel free to contact me at (512) 424-2890 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Legal Assistant

Office of General Counsel

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Enclosure(s)

cc: Paul Chabot

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# TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TEXAS RANGERS

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LEAD INVESTIGATOR: JEREMY WALLACE INVEST#: 2022I-TRB-50084294

SUPERVISOR: REUBEN MANKIN OPENED: 02/04/2022
TITLE: IMPERSONATING A PUBLIC SERVANT, FILE STATUS: OPEN

COLLIN COUNTY, STATE OF TEXAS, 12/01/2021

TYPE: CRIMINAL DIVISION: TEXAS RANGERS

SERVICE: REGION: B

DISTRICT: AREA: HURST

SUBTYPE: PERJURY AND OTHER FALSIFICATION SPURS URN: CMIV50084294 CATEGORY: REVIEW DATE: 09/12/2022

SPECIAL APPROVAL: CHANCE COLLINS LEGACY REF:

PROGRAM: CRIMES AGAINST PERSON SUBPROGRAM: FELONY

CASE#:

#### **INVESTIGATION SYNOPSIS**

On 02/04/2022, at the request of the Collin County District Attorney's office, I was assigned an investigation for potential criminal violations by Texas State Representative District 61 candidate and former McKinney City Councilman, Frederick Frazier (Resigned 01/15/2022). The alleged criminal violations were of Impersonating a Public Servant and potentially related Theft.