

Subject: RE: Public Records Request: TX-SOS-19-1514 (SOS PIR No. 19-1212)
Date: Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 4:32:55 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: GeneralCounsel
To: AO Records
CC: GeneralCounsel
Attachments: ENCRYPT_Candidate Management Credential_Redacted.pdf, How to appeal the withholding of information under 552.136.pdf

Good afternoon,

We have completed the review of our records for documents responsive to this Request and have attached one final document. The attached information represents the last production of materials that we anticipate providing in response to your December 6, 2019 request.

The information you requested contains a credit card, debit card, charge card, or access device number that is collected, assembled, or maintained by or for a governmental body. This information is confidential under section 552.136 of the Texas Government Code. Section 552.136 allows us to withhold this specific information without requesting a ruling from the attorney general. You have the right to appeal our decision to withhold this information from you. Instructions for appeal are also attached. If you do not want to appeal our withholding of information under section 552.136, you do not need to do anything else.

Jennifer Williams
Legal Assistant to the General Counsel
Office of the Texas Secretary of State

From: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Sent: Friday, January 31, 2020 4:47 PM
To: 'AO Records' <records@americanoversight.org>
Cc: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: RE: Public Records Request: TX-SOS-19-1514 (SOS PIR No. 19-1212)

Good afternoon,

Consistent with our January 24 email, please find the attached zipped folder containing documents responsive to this Request. We will provide you any additional responsive documents—to the extent such information is not excepted from disclosure under state or federal law—by 5:00 p.m. on February 5, 2020. See Tex. Gov't Code § 552.221(d).

The responsive documents contain email addresses of the general public which have been redacted. An email address of a member of the public is confidential under section 552.137 of the Texas Government Code. The attorney general authorized all governmental bodies to withhold an email address of a member of the public without first requesting an attorney general opinion in Open Records Decision No. 684 (2009).

Regards,

Jennifer Williams
Legal Assistant to the General Counsel
Office of the Texas Secretary of State

From: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2020 3:32 PM
To: 'AO Records' <records@americanoversight.org>
Cc: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: RE: Public Records Request: TX-SOS-19-1514 (SOS PIR No. 19-1212)

Good afternoon,

We require more time to review our records and provide other responsive documents, if any. We will provide you any additional responsive documents—to the extent such information is not excepted from disclosure under state or federal law—by 5:00 p.m. on January 31, 2020. See Tex. Gov't Code § 552.221(d).

Jennifer Williams
Legal Assistant to the General Counsel
Office of the Texas Secretary of State

From: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 4:22 PM
To: 'AO Records' <records@americanoversight.org>
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Jennifer Williams
Legal Assistant to the General Counsel
Office of the Texas Secretary of State

From: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 20, 2019 5:57 PM
To: AO Records <records@americanoversight.org>
Cc: GeneralCounsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: RE: Public Records Request: TX-SOS-19-1514

Ms. Pintado,

Please see the attached letter, with enclosures, in response to your request for information under Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code.

Sincerely,

Adam Bitter
General Counsel
Office of the Texas Secretary of State

From: AO Records <records@americanoversight.org>
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 1:03 PM
To: General Counsel <GeneralCounsel@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: Public Records Request: TX-SOS-19-1514

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Dear Public Records Officer:

Please find attached a request for records under Texas public records laws.

Sincerely,

Mariuxi Pintado
Paralegal
American Oversight
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www.americanoversight.org | @weareoversight

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How to appeal the withholding of information under Government Code Section 552.136

If you wish to appeal the withholding of information discussed on the previous page, you must send the following to the attorney general:

- 1) a signed, written statement indicating your wish to appeal the withholding of information;
- 2) the name of the governmental body that withheld information from you;
- 3) the date you made your original request for information; and
- 4) a copy of your original request for information, or if you are unable to provide a copy, a description of your original request for information.

You may also submit written comments stating why you think the information should be released to you, but you are not required to do so.

Send your appeal by mail to the attorney general at:

Open Records Division
P.O. Box 12548
Austin, Texas 78711-2548

Within forty-five business days after receiving all of the above-listed items necessary to file your appeal, the attorney general will issue a written ruling on the matter. You will receive a copy of this ruling in the mail.

From: [Elections Internet](#)
To: ["primary@harriscountygop.com"](mailto:primary@harriscountygop.com)
Subject: ENCRYPT: Candidate Management Credential
Date: Friday, November 8, 2019 5:05:46 PM
Attachments: image001.png
Sensitivity: Personal

County Chair,

Thank you for completing the required cybersecurity training Securing the Human through the SANS Institute. Our team has verified that you are now ready to be setup as a user in the Texas Election Administration Management (TEAM) system.

Below are the credentials assigned to your new user account. You have been assigned a temporary password for your initial access.

TEAM URL: [REDACTED]

Username: [REDACTED]

Temporary Password: [REDACTED]

When accessing the TEAM system, you will be prompted to set up a new user password. Additionally, you will need to set up your preferred method for the multifactor authentication process. To add/verify a cell phone number, go to **System > My Homepage** and click the **"Modify Information"** button. Enter the cell phone you desire to use for authentication codes, and select **"Save Information."** Click the **"Verify"** button to receive a text message on your cell to verify your cell phone number. You will then have the option to use either the cell phone or e-mail address for future authentications.

Please do **NOT** share your user credentials with other users. If you would like to designate someone in your county to assist with this process, please email our office and we will send information on cybersecurity training. Once they have completed the training, we will provide access credentials as soon as possible.

As a reminder, the candidate filing period for the 2020 Primary Election **does not begin until Saturday, November 9th**. The system will not allow you to access/save the candidate management screens until the filing period is open. For those that missed out on our training opportunity, we will be hosting another webinar on **Tuesday, November 12th at 6:30 p.m.** on the candidate filing process in TEAM. Invitations will be sent out from our office.

If you need any technical assistance or if we can help you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact our office at (800)252-8683 or at Elections@sos.texas.gov.

Kristi Hart

Manager of Elections Administration &
Voter Registration
Office of the Secretary of State
800-252-VOTE(8683)

www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/index.shtml

For Voter Related Information, please visit: