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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order:
Oregon Department of Human Services
DOJ File No.: 100101-GA0088-16

Dear Mr. Borton:

This letter is the Attorney General's order responding to your June 22, 2016, petition for disclosure under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.410 to 192.505. Your petition asks the Attorney General to order the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide you with DHS records relating to your client Tony Pritchett.

We deny your petition because DHS has now agreed to provide these records to you.

The Public Records Law confers a right to inspect any public record of a public body in Oregon, subject to certain exemptions contained in ORS 192.501 to 192.505. *See* ORS 192.420(1). Any person denied the right to inspect or to receive a copy of a public record of a state agency may petition the Attorney General to review the record and determine if it may be withheld. ORS 192.450(1). The Attorney General may order a state agency to disclose records only when the agency has denied a request for records. *See id.*

We spoke with Caroline Burnell, DHS's Legal Unit/Hearings & Rules Unit Manager. She told us that DHS is preparing to produce the requested records to you. Therefore, we respectfully deny your petition as moot. DHS may redact or withhold certain records that it believes are exempt from disclosure; if you disagree with any of these determinations, you may submit a new petition to our office.

Sincerely,

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