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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order
Oregon State Police
DOJ File No.: 257001-GA0142-26

Dear Ms. Blaney:

This letter is the Attorney General's response to your petition under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.311 to 192.431. Your petition challenges the Oregon State Police's (OSP) response to a records request made by you. For the reasons discussed below, we respectfully dismiss your petition.

Your petition explains that your son, Sebastian Blaney, made a public records request to OSP, and that OSP withheld records pursuant to various exemptions. You seek review of that decision on Mr. Blaney's behalf. We must respectfully dismiss your petition because ***you*** did not make the underlying records request. The Public Records Law allows "any person denied the right to inspect * * * any public record of a state agency" to file a petition with the Attorney General. ORS 192.411(1). Because you were not the requester and did not receive a denial, you lack standing to submit this petition. [1] Mr. Blaney may, of course, file his own petition if he wishes to challenge OSP's decision.

Sincerely,

BENJAMIN GUTMAN
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[1] *See* Public Records Order, Jan 5, 2010, Harbaugh (finding no "standing to petition with respect to" another person's records request); Public Records Order, May 12, 2026, Stevens (same).