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January 3, 2017

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Assistant United States Attorney  
Office of the United States Attorney  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Northern District of Texas  
801 Cherry Street, Suite 1700  
Fort Worth, Texas 76102

Via Regular Mail

*Re: Public Information Request Received from Isaiah X. Smith; Our File No. 16257*

Dear U.S. Attorney Weimer:

The Tarrant County Hospital District (hereinafter, the “District”) received a request for information from Isaiah X. Smith for information under the Texas Public Information Act (hereinafter, the “Act”). Mr. Smith’s request, clarification, and the District’s request for exception from disclosure to Attorney General Ken Paxton are enclosed for your reference.

Based on Mr. Smith’s request and clarification, the District found one document believed to be responsive—a Grand Jury Subpoena received from your office on May 25, 2016 seeking certain medical records related to W.S.S.H. The FBI informed the District that the information requested was for an ongoing investigation of a federal crime and any disclosure of the release could impair the investigation and enforcement of federal criminal law. Based on the information requested by Mr. Smith, the District has requested an exception for disclosure from the Office of the Attorney General. Also, the District has requested an exception to disclosure of the medical records under HIPAA privacy rules.

While the Act does not apply to the federal government, the District retained a copy of the Grand Jury Subpoena in the medical records for W.S.S.H. The District is notifying your office of Mr. Smith’s request and the District’s request for exception from disclosure to Attorney General Paxton so that the FBI can file any objections that it deems necessary.

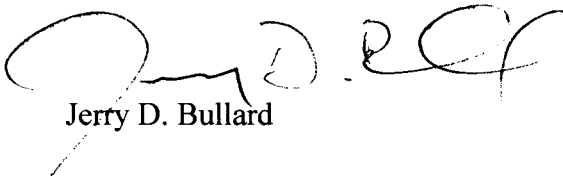
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If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at (817) 552-7742. If I am unavailable, please feel free to contact my paralegal, Allison McCarthy, at (817) 702-3898.

Sincerely,

ADAMS, LYNCH & LOFTIN, P.C.  
General Counsel to the  
Tarrant County Hospital District



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cc: The Honorable Ken Paxton  
The Office of the Attorney General

Via overnight mail, without enclosures

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