

June 20, 2018

Samuel Ceballos, Chief of Police
Pinecrest Police Department
12645 S. Dixie Highway
Pinecrest, Florida 33156

Re: Public Official Exemption Pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.

Dear Chief Ceballos:

We live in a time of need for heightened identity security and protection, which can best be achieved through prevention and awareness. As such, I write to remind our law enforcement and prosecutorial community partners that qualified individuals can request an exemption from public disclosure of certain identification and/or location information contained in the records of state agencies pursuant to section 119.071, Florida Statutes. A qualified individual must request in writing to each state agency holding custodial records that his or her records be exempt from public disclosure pursuant to an exemption identified in section 119.071(4), Florida Statutes. Most state agencies simply have a form that must be completed. For example, the form for the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles can be found at <https://www.flhsmv.gov/pdf/forms/96020.pdf>. Likewise, the form for the Department of State can be found at <http://dos.myflorida.com/media/695951/dos119.pdf>. Again, each state agency must receive a written request to exempt the records maintained by that agency.

Please feel free to disseminate this information to your eligible public employees. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



CHRISTIE S. UTT
General Counsel

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