

**November 29, 2021**  
**Attn: Discovery Unit**

RE: Public Records Act Request

Good afternoon,

I am requesting access to records in possession or control of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for the purposes of inspection and copying pursuant to the California Public Records Act, California Government Code § 6250 et seq. ("CPRA"), and Article I, § 3(b) of the California Constitution. The specific records I seek to inspect and copy are listed below. As used herein, "Record" includes "Public Records" and "Writings" as those terms are defined at Government Code § 6252(e) & (g). Furthermore, Government Code section 6254(f) states "[Whenever there are] complaints to, or investigations conducted by ... any ... local police agency, ... local law enforcement agencies shall disclose the names and addresses of persons involved in, or witnesses other than confidential informants to, the incident, the description of any property involved, the date, time, and location of the incident, all diagrams, statements of the parties involved in the incident, the statements of all witnesses, other than confidential informants, to the victims of an incident, or an authorized representative thereof, an insurance carrier against which a claim has been or might be made, and any person suffering bodily injury or property damage or loss, as the result of the incident caused by arson, burglary, fire, explosion, larceny, robbery, carjacking, vandalism, vehicle theft, or a crime as defined by subdivision (b) of Section 13951..." Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, Government Code section 6254(f)(1) and (2)(A), I am seeking the following information and/or documents related to deputy involved shootings by LASD deputy Cecil Rhambo:

1. Incident Report: Information from - or a copy of -- your department's incident report that is required to be disclosed under Government Code section 6254(f)(2)(A):  
"[L]ocal law enforcement agencies shall make public the following information ... the time, substance, and location of all complaints or requests for assistance received by the agency and the time and nature of the response thereto, including, to the extent the information regarding crimes alleged or committed or any other incident investigated is recorded, the time, date, and location of occurrence, the time and date of the report, the name and age of the victim, the factual circumstances surrounding the crime or incident, and a general description of any injuries, property, or weapons involved."
- Arrest Report: Information from -- or copy of -- your department's arrest report that is required to be disclosed under Government Code section 6254(f)(1):

- "[L]ocal law enforcement agencies shall make public the following information ... The full name and occupation of every individual arrested by the agency, the individual's physical description including date of birth, color of eyes and hair, sex, height and weight, the time and date of arrest, the time and date of booking, the location of the arrest, the factual circumstances surrounding the arrest, the amount of bail set, the time and manner of release or the location where the individual is currently being held, and all charges the individual is being held upon, including any outstanding warrants from other jurisdictions and parole or probation holds."

I want to make clear that this request is not a request for records covered by SB-1421, codified as Penal Code Section 832.7. I am not seeking police personnel records, internal affairs records, records of police administrative proceedings, police disciplinary records, criminal investigations of officer-involved shootings, or written citizen complaints submitted to your department seeking discipline for a police officer for alleged misconduct.

I am seeking routine information about an incident and/or an arrest; information that has always been required to be disclosed under Government Code section 6254(f)(1) and (2)(A).

Nothing in Penal Code section 832.7 has not changed your department's legal obligation to disclose this information (or written reports) under section 6254(f)(1) and (2)(A).

Government Code § 6253(d) prohibits the use of the 10-day period, or any provisions of the CPRA or any other law, "to delay access for purposes of inspecting public records."

In responding to this request, please keep in mind that Article 1, § 3(b)(2) of the California Constitution expressly requires you to broadly construe all provisions that further the public's right of access, and to apply any limitations on access as narrowly as possible.

If I can provide any clarification that will help expedite your attention to my request, please contact me at [cerisecastle@gmail.com](mailto:cerisecastle@gmail.com), pursuant to Government Code § 6253.1. I ask that you notify me of any duplication costs exceeding \$100 before you duplicate the records so that I may decide which records I want copied.

Thank you for your timely attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Cerise Castle