

March 23, 2022

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Dear Mr. Buhl:

## PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST - #20-1829MI

This letter is in response to your request for records under the California Public Records Act (CPRA) dated November 22, 2020. Your request sought records pertaining to the Long Beach Police Department's (LBPD) use of the Los Angeles County Regional Identification System (LACRIS) Facial Recognition database from 2009 through November 22, 2020. Specifically records related to the following:

- 1. The total number of searches conducted by the LBPD.
- 2. The number of LBPD officers with LACRIS accounts.
- 3. The date each search was conducted.
- 4. Data indicating any "LACRIS Face Recognition Search Request Forms" submitted by LBPD.
- 5. The type of case and/or reason for the facial recognition search.

## Response:

Items one, three, and five - The record titled "Detailed Search Audit for LBPD from 01-01-2009 to 11-22-2020," is responsive to your request. Please note, names, usernames, and email addresses were redacted from this document pursuant to California Constitution, article 1, section 1.

Item two - The record titled "LBPD Facial Recognition User Access from 01-01-2009 to 12-31-2016," and the record titled "LBPD Facial Recognition Trained Users from 01-01-2017 to 11-22-2020," are responsive to your request. Please note, names, usernames, and email addresses were redacted from these documents pursuant to California Constitution, article 1, section 1.

The reports representing data related to facial recognition user access were conducted separately due to changes in the manner user access was granted and recorded. LACRIS established facial recognition training requirements which became effective January 1, 2017. These training requirements were established in order to align LACRIS' training with the Facial Identification Scientific Working Group's minimum training criteria. Additionally, the training requirements serve to establish and enforce the LACRIS policy to ensure only trained personnel are granted access to the facial recognition application.

Item four - A search consistent with the requirements of the CPRA was conducted and we did not identify any records responsive to your request.

If you have any questions, please contact LACRIS at (562) 345-4411 or info@lacris.org.

Sincerely,

Derek S. Sabatini, Lieutenant

Los Angeles County Regional Identification System