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Re: PRA request dated August 26, 2020

Dear Mr. Trautfield:

Pursuant to your Public Records Act request dated August 26, 2020, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office responds as follows:

Request #1: Records of criminal sentencing that include:

- **Case numbers**
 - *Superior Court Case numbers are not included*
- *Charging date*
- *Disposition date*
- *Final disposition summary (e.g., pled guilty, found guilty) Deputy District Attorney's names*
 - *Deputy District Attorney's names will be provided to the extent the information is available*
- *Charges convicted as Penal Codes for each case (e.g., 187 (A), 190.2(A)(3))*
- *Any Demographic information including:*
 - **Race of defendant**
 - *Race of the defendant will not be provided*
 - *Gender of defendant*
 - *Age at time of sentencing*

For all cases that meet the following criteria:

- *Any individual sentenced to 187 (A)*
- ***Between the years 1991-2020.***
 - ***The information is available from 1996 forward***
- *Note: It is necessary that records include all special circumstance convictions found to be true in each case.*

The defendants name and court case number will not be provided. Penal Code §13300 et seq., 11140 et seq. and Government Code §6254 et seq., prohibits the release of local summary

criminal history information. Attorney General Opinion 06-203 concluded that “a prosecutor may not produce records that disclose...(5) numerous criminal histories associated with a request for the names and identities of defendants charged with a particular specified criminal conduct over a period of years”.

The computer system that the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office utilizes does not track defendants by race. The information provided is from 1996 as the computer system which tracks case information came on line in 1996.

Please see attached for further interpretation of the attached spread sheet.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DATA PROVIDED WAS GENERATED BY A COMPUTER PROGRAM WHICH INCORPORATE MULTIPLE COMPUTER SYSTEMS SOME OF WHICH ARE MAINTAINED BY OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES. ANY ERRORS OR OMISSIONS WERE INADVERTANT. WHILE WE STRIVE FOR ACCURACY, THE ONLY WAY TO COMPILE THE LARGE AMOUNTS OF INFORMATION WAS TO UTILIZE A COMPUTER SYSTEM THAT DRAWS INFORMATION FROM SEVERAL SOURCES. THE LADA CANNOT VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF IMPORTED INFORMATION.

Please don’t hesitate to email me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Attachment 1:

1. The District Attorney (DA) case number is unique to each case. Under each DA case number there may be multiple defendants. Every defendant will have the same DA case number but they will have different "Def ID" numbers.
2. A defendant charged in a case may have multiple charges attached to that case. For example, on page one of the spread sheet you have DA Case number 10000424 which has 10 lines; but, there are only 4 charges, see the column that states "charge #." There maybe be multiple sentencing outcomes for those charges and each of the sentencing outcomes has a line entry. For example, charge 1, 187 (A) has a line for probation denied, and charge 1, 187 (A) is listed again as there is a line which is "life without parole."