

**Email Request**

**From:** Shasty, Bitu

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2019 4:49 PM

**To:** Matthew Burson

**Cc:** LASDAccessRequest ; OIG Request for Access

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; Timothy Murakami

; 'Gross, Steven E.' ; Huntsman, Max

; Baker, Danie

**Subject:** Patrol Training Evaluation Document and Information Requests

Dear Chief Burson,

As you are aware, part of OIG's oversight function is to evaluate areas of concern where there may be systemic issues. In light of the recent events concerning former Deputy \_\_\_\_\_, the OIG would like to evaluate the Department's patrol field training program. Broken down by station, we are requesting a list of the number of trainees who completed the training, including those who did not pass, between August 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019. Once we have determined the number of files to review we will ask for all documents, correspondence from and to TOs, MFTO's and

Sergeants, and ALL related documents to the trainees be included for our review. In addition, we are requesting all policy and procedures, unit orders and division orders, if any, related to the training program.

Also, we are requesting all documents and correspondence regarding Deputy \_\_\_\_\_, including his background file, through the most recent events including the homicide investigation once it is complete and ready for submission to the District Attorney. We have no issues with viewing his background file on site. The rest of his records we would like to request copies of. This request also includes all inquiries and administrative investigations encompassing Deputy \_\_\_\_\_ tenure with the Department.

Finally, we would like to know for the period August 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019, the number of deputies who left custody to go to patrol training at a station prior to the completion of their 1 year probationary period.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully,

Bitu Shasty

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## Department E-Mail Response

**From:** Shasty, Bitá  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 12, 2020 10:03 AM  
**To:**  
**Subject:** RE: Patrol Training Evaluation Document and Information Requests

Thanks . I appreciate you letting me know.

I will pass on the information that LASD believes patrol training records are protected personnel records in the Department's view.

Best,  
Bitá

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 11, 2020 3:02 PM  
**To:** Shasty, Bitá  
**Subject:** RE: Patrol Training Evaluation Document and Information Requests

Hi Bitá,

The Department is holding off on providing the requested information, which the Department believes is protected personnel information, pending clarification of the COC's ordinance. Once it is clear and the ordinance goes into effect, I will contact you to discuss further.

Please give me a call if you have any questions.

Regards,

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**From:** Shasty, Bitu  
**Sent:** Monday, January 13, 2020 9:56 AM  
**To:**  
**Subject:** RE: Patrol Training Evaluation Document and Information Requests

Hi \_\_\_\_\_,  
Happy New Year to you as well!

Thank you for sending these documents, but I had already received these from the Dept. The MPP stuff I received on 8/29 of last year and the patrol numbers for success and failures and the breakdown I received last October.

I had sent a spread sheet to Lt. \_\_\_\_\_ back in October asking for the employee numbers of the 852 trainees. What I am seeking to do is once I get those employee numbers we randomly select a statistical sample and would require to get those files to look. For details of the documents we need please see below. I am resending the spread sheet to you. If you want to discuss on phone, I would be happy to.

Here is the email I had sent to Chief Burson last August

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Thanks for advising re: \_\_\_\_\_.

Please let me know about the above request.

Bitu

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Friday, January 10, 2020 8:03 PM

**To:** Shasty, Bitu

**Subject:** Patrol Training Evaluation Document and Information Requests

Hello Bitu,

Happy New Year! I hope you're having a good start to the new year.

We have obtained information regarding your request on August 28, 2019. Attached are documents containing that information which include statistical data of each station's training program such as patrol training failures/successful completions, and policy and procedures related to the Department's training program.

Although part of the request was for documents pertaining to Deputy [redacted]'s training records, background file, and the homicide investigation pertaining to the incident he was involved in, the Department cannot provide this information due to the following:

- There is pending litigation
- There is an active Homicide Bureau investigation

Subsequently, when the status of those items change, the request will be readdressed.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

**Lieutenant**  
**Audit and Accountability Bureau**