



## REQUEST TO INSPECT PUBLIC RECORDS

September 12, 2007

VIA FACSIMILE and U.S. MAIL

Otero County Sheriff's Office  
Attn: Records Custodian  
3208 N. White Sands Blvd.  
Alamogordo, NM 88310

Dear Records Custodian:

Pursuant to the Inspection of Public Records Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 14-2-1 et seq. I would like to inspect and copy the following document(s):

**All documents, including reports; incident reports; dispatch and CADS reports; audio, video, or digital recordings (including but not limited to, dispatch recordings); or emails, notes, memorandum, etc. regarding law enforcement activities conducted from January 1, 2007 through the present pertaining to any actions, visits, or other activities taken by Otero County Sheriff's Department in conjunction with Immigration and Customs Enforcement or U.S. Border Patrol. This includes any activity pursued in relation to "Operation Stonegarden."**

Please advise me if this request does not describe the documents with sufficient specificity for you to make a reasonable response, and I will attempt to reformulate the request in a manner that meets your requirements. If your agency does not maintain these public records, please forward this request to the designated custodian of the requested records and notify me of that action, including the information required by NMSA 1978, § 14-2-8(E).

If the request encompasses exempt information that Otero Sheriff's Department will not allow to be released, then please either separate and retain the exempt documents or redact that information from documents that are otherwise nonexempt. If documents are exempt because the documents reveal "law enforcement records that reveal confidential sources, methods, information or individuals accused but not charged with a crime" NMSA 1978 § 14-2-1(A)(4), please specify why the information falls under this exception. See Estate of Romero ex rel. Romero v. City of Santa Fe, 2006-NMSC-028, 139 N.M. 671, 137 P.3d 611.

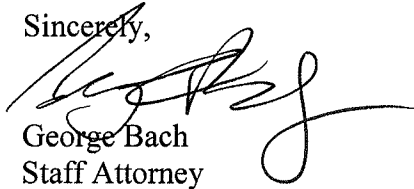
I look forward to receiving the requested documents by no later than three business days following your receipt of this request. Pursuant to the Public Records Law, I agree to pay a reasonable fee for copying the public records. If the charges will exceed \$50.00, please

telephone me in advance at (505) 243-0046 so that I may review and agree to such charges.

Please provide a receipt indicating the copying charges for each document.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'George Bach', written over the printed name.

George Bach  
Staff Attorney