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### *Via Email Only*

Joseph Turner  
American Children First  
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RE: Public Records Act Request regarding Devon John Mathis  
Our File No. 20171632

Dear Mr. Turner:

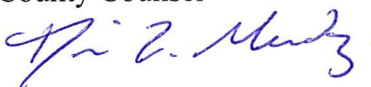
Our Office represents the County of Tulare. We are in receipt of your Public Records Act request to Carrie Monteiro dated November 2, 2017. Please be advised that nothing in this response should be considered as a waiver of the right of the County to assert any and all claims of exemptions or privileges to the inspection of the whole or any part of the records. You have requested records showing contact between Devon John Mathis and Tulare County, or the Tulare County Protective Services Team, regarding allegations of child abuse.

The types of records you are requesting are exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 827 and Government Code section 6254(k). If the records you are requesting exist, they would only be accessible via a court petition. If you disagree with our assessment, and have statutory authority to support your position, please provide this information and we will reevaluate our response.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned or paralegal Nelda Turney by email at [NTurney@co.tulare.ca.us](mailto:NTurney@co.tulare.ca.us) or by phone at (559) 636-4950.

Very truly yours,  
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