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Subject: Re: Public Records Task Force - Wednesday Public Hearing

**Date:** Tuesday, January 12, 2016 8:24:03 PM

Mr. Kron,

While I appreciate your consideration in letting me know about the meeting, this transparency dog & pony show has been going on for at least six years.

As I told AG Kroger in 2010, there would be no need for new legislation if the AG would simply demand that county DAs liberally allow appeal petitions filed with them pursuant to ORS 192.450 (supra). So that eventually, public agencies would get the message that if they deny a reasonable records request, the DA will likely approve it.

Of course, my opinion hasn't changed. So that it's beginning to look like the job of the AG (any AG) is to pretend to support government transparency instead of actually doing something to encourage it. Of course, with regards to public officials, pretending pays exactly the same as actually making a difference.

Respectfully,

D. Picray

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This was formally noticed last week, but in case you have not heard about it, I thought it might be of interest to you.

## **PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**

Attorney General's Public Records Law Reform Task Force Wednesday, January 13th, 2016 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Members of the Attorney General's Public Records Law Reform Task Force will be accepting public comments on the Oregon Public Records Law, and the work of the task force, on Wednesday, January 13, from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Please join us next door to the Oregon State Capitol to share your experiences, suggestions, or other thoughts with task force members.

Department of Administrative Services Executive Building

155 Cottage Street NE Salem, OR 97301 (map)

All are welcome to attend.

Information about the work of the task force is available on the <u>Public Records Law Reform Task Force</u> website. Currently, that work is focused primarily on the hundreds of disclosure exemptions that keep information out of public hands – and can make the law difficult to implement. Other issues that the task force expects to examine include the cost and timeliness of public records disclosures. The task force wants to hear from Oregonians on these and other public records law subjects.

Questions about this announcement, and requests for accommodations by individuals with disabilities, can be directed to Michael Kron, <u>Michael.C.Kron@doj.state.or.us</u>.

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