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City of Los Angeles

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### Dates

Received  
October 9, 2023 via web

### Requester

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- Open Information Collective

### Staff Assigned

- Departments
- Police Department (LAPD)
- Point of contact
- LAPD Analyst Jonathan N1840

### Request

I request all letters, intraoffice memoranda, and other documents from the Police Department from March 1992 to June 1992 relating in any form to the beating of Rodney King and/or the Rodney King protests.

I request the documents in electronic format; if the documents are only in physical format, I request that they be scanned at no cost. If a cost is required, I will exert my right to scan the documents using my own equipment and to view them in person pursuant to GOV 7922.525.

### Timeline Documents

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Dear Requester,

We have reviewed your request for "all letters, intraoffice memoranda, and other documents from the Police Department from March 1992 to June 1992 relating in any form to the beating of Rodney King and/or the Rodney King protests."

Your request was made under the California Public Records Act (the Act). The Department is cognizant of its responsibilities under the Act. It recognizes the statutory scheme was enacted to maximize citizen access to the workings of government and does not mandate disclosure of all documents within the government's possession. Rather, by specific exemption and reference to other statutes, the Act recognizes that there are boundaries where the public's right to access must be balanced against such weighty considerations as the right of privacy, a right of constitutional dimension under California Constitution, Article 1, Section 1. The law also

exempts from disclosure, records that are privileged or confidential, or otherwise exempt under either express provisions of the Act or pursuant to applicable federal or state law, per California Government Code Sections 7927.200; 7927.700; 7923.600-7923.625; 7927.705; and 7922.000.

You are seeking records that pre-date existing record keeping policies and practices. It should be noted that the records retention policy of the City of Los Angeles provides the authority to purge or destroy records that have been stored ten years or more. Generally, the Department adheres to this policy, although exceptions to this policy are made for specific circumstances such as unsolved cases. Additionally, to the extent that responsive records may exist, in accordance with Section 7923.600-7923.625, records of investigations conducted by, or investigatory files compiled by, any local police agencies for law enforcement purposes are exempt from disclosure under the Act. Therefore, we are denying your request.

However, the main LAPD website may provide you with responsive information and can be accessed from the following link for a copy of the Christopher Commission report: <https://ia600302.us.archive.org/5/items/ChristopherCommissionLAPD/Christopher%20Commission%20LAPD.pdf> Additionally, the FBI Vault (see: <https://vault.fbi.gov/rodney-king/>) has the redacted reports and findings related to Rodney King.

If you have any questions, please respond to this email.

Respectfully,

LAPD Public Records & Subpoena Response Section,  
CPRA Unit

 **External Message** 

Requester + Staff

Hello,

This is a courtesy notice that you have 3 days remaining to comply with this request.

Thank you.

October 16, 2023, 1:16pm by the requester

 **External Message** 

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Dear Requester,

Your California Public Records Act (CPRA) request was received and will be assigned to a CPRA Analyst.

If you have any further questions, please respond to this email

Respectfully,

LAPD Public Records & Subpoena Response Section,  
CPRA Unit

October 12, 2023, 6:55pm by Ming LAPD SMA I N6399 (Staff)



**Department Assignment**

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Police Department (LAPD)



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October 9, 2023, 2:11pm by the requester