

If you have a compelling privacy or security issue, you may wish to contact the official custodians of public records that contain sensitive information about you, such as your county's land records office, to determine how to remove your information from the public record. (The process of having public records sealed can require a court order.) This process will ensure that the information is not available to the public or to any other public records information provider.

In addition to public records, personal information may be publicly or commercially available. Publicly available information consists of online and offline information that is generally available but is not maintained by a government agency, such as names, addresses and telephone numbers of individuals and businesses, professional licensing and trade organization information, press releases and newspaper articles and content from blogs or social networking sites. Commercial records consist of information that is maintained by enterprises and is available for purchase, such as marketing and telemarketing lists, phone connect and disconnect information, and business profile data.

It's also recommended that officers periodically recheck these sites. Your personal information can be redistributed and may need to be suppressed if it's republished.

**Most important places to opt out:**

**1. (FOR OFFICERS LIVING IN TRAVIS)**

**Travis Central Appraisal District:**

(512) 834-9138 (KAREN PHRINZ)

FAX: (512) 834-8651

**Opt Out** mail/fax the following completed PDF:

[http://www.traviscad.org/pdf/Forms/Other/50-284\\_RequestConfidentiality.pdf](http://www.traviscad.org/pdf/Forms/Other/50-284_RequestConfidentiality.pdf)

PO BOX 149012

ATTENTION: KAREN PHRINZ

AUSTIN, TX 78714

**(FOR OFFICERS LIVING IN WILLIAMSON)**

**Williamson Central Appraisal District:**

**Opt Out** mail the following completed PDF:

<http://www.wcad.org/Appraisal/PublicAccess/Forms/Confidentiality50-284.pdf>

625 FM 1460

GEORGETOWN, TX 78626-8050

**(FOR OFFICERS LIVING IN HAYS)**

**Hays Central Appraisal District:**

(512) 268-2522

FAX:(512) 268-1945

**Opt Out** mail the following completed PDF:

<http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/50-284.pdf>

21001 NORTH IH 35

KYLE, TX 78640

2. **Travis County Tax Office:**  
(512) 854-9473  
FAX: (512) 854-4840  
**Opt Out** email/fax the following completed PDF:  
<http://www.traviscountytax.org/pdfs/VoterRegSuppression.pdf>

**Free and easy searches for instant home address:**

3. **White Pages:**  
<http://www.whitepages.com>  
**Opt Out:**  
Search for your listing. Click on: "Is this you? Remove your listing..."  
(located towards bottom of page)
4. **Spokeo:**  
<http://www.spokeo.com/>  
**Opt Out:**  
Copy and past your URL associated with your information into:  
<http://www.spokeo.com/privacy>
5. **ZabaSearch:**  
[www.zabasearch.com](http://www.zabasearch.com)  
**Opt Out (SAME DIRECTIONS AS PeopleLookup):**  
In order for ZabaSearch to "opt out" your public information from being viewable on the ZabaSearch website, we need to verify your identity and require faxed proof of identity. Proof of identity can be a state issued ID card or driver's license. If you are faxing a copy of your driver's license, cross out the photo and the driver's license number. We only need to see the name, address and date of birth. We will only use this information to process your opt out request. Please fax to **425-974-6194** and allow 4 to 6 weeks to process your request.
6. **Google:**  
[www.google.com](http://www.google.com)  
**Opt Out:**  
<http://www.google.com/help/pbremoval.html>
7. **Facebook:**  
[www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)  
**Opt Out:**

[http://www.facebook.com/help/contact.php?show\\_form=database\\_removal](http://www.facebook.com/help/contact.php?show_form=database_removal)

**Personal Searches that can be purchased:**

8. **Intelius:**

<http://www.intelius.com/>

**Opt Out:**

<https://www.intelius.com/optout.php>

If you are faxing a copy of your driver's license, we require that you cross out the photo and the driver's license number. We only need to see the name, address and date of birth. Please fax to **(425) 974-6194**.

9. **US Search:**

[www.ussearch.com](http://www.ussearch.com)

**Opt Out:**

Fill out name and cities/states that apply.

<http://www.ussearch.com/consumer/ala/landing.do?did=590>

Print then send your request by mail or fax to:

**US Search - PrivacyLock** PO Box 808

Bothell, WA 98041-0808

**Fax:(425) 974-6242**

10. **Private Eye:**

[www.privateeye.com](http://www.privateeye.com)

**Opt Out:**

We value your privacy and, upon request, can block your records from being shown in many, but not all, of our search results. To do so, you should contact us by writing a letter, signed by you (we do not accept any unsigned requests or substitute service), giving us your:

- First name
- Last name
- Middle initial
- Aliases and A.K.A.'s
- Complete current address
- Complete former addresses going back 20 years
- Date of Birth - including month, day, and year

It is also very helpful to include a print out of the records that you wish to have suppressed.

Please send this letter to:  
Opt-Out/PrivateEye.com

Po box 110850  
Naples. Fl 34108

11. **People Lookup:**

[www.peoplelookup.com](http://www.peoplelookup.com)

**Opt Out (SAME DIRECTIONS AS ZABA):**

In order for PeopleLookup to suppress or opt out your personal information from appearing on our Website, we need to verify your identity. To do this, we require faxed proof of identity. Proof of identity can be a state issued ID card or driver's license. If you are faxing a copy of your driver's license, we require that you cross out the photo and the driver's license number. We only need to see the name, address and date of birth. We will only use this information to process your opt out request. Please fax to 425-974-6194 and allow 4 to 6 weeks to process your request.

12. **USA People Search:**

[www.usa-people-search.com](http://www.usa-people-search.com)

**Opt Out:**

<http://www.usa-people-search.com/optout-form.pdf>

USA People Search

P.O Box 188860

Sacramento, Ca 95818

13. **People Finders:**

<http://www.peoplefinders.com>

<http://www.peoplefinders.com/privacy.aspx#>

**Opt out:**

<http://www.peoplefinders.com/optout-form.pdf>

Peoplefinders.com values your privacy and upon written request, can block your records from being shown in many, but not all our search results. Please fill out the form below and send to us via US mail to the address below. We will only accept opt out requests via this completed form.

Opt-Out/Peoplefinders.com

1821 Q Street

Sacramento, Ca 95811

14. **People Smart:**

<http://www.peoplesmart.com/>

**Opt Out:**

<http://www.peoplesmart.com/optout>

**Opting out of Telemarketing Calls:**

**15. Do Not Call:**

<https://www.donotcall.gov/default.aspx>

Cell Phone Numbers are Public. Opting out of here will add you to the national DO NOT CALL list. You must call from the number you wish to block.

**Opt Out:**

(888) 382-1222

An additional Great Article!

<http://www.squidoo.com/personalInformation>

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