Haynes Boone Litigation Leads City of Uvalde to Release School Shooting Records

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After more than two years of litigation, Haynes Boone has secured the release of crucial records related to the Robb Elementary School shooting in Uvalde, Texas.

Haynes Boone represents a coalition of dozens of news organizations fighting for the release of records from the tragic mass shooting in May of 2022. The newly disclosed materials, including video, audio, texts and emails, offer fresh insights into what happened the day of the shooting and the events that led up to it.

“We’re thankful the City of Uvalde is taking this step toward transparency. For more than two years, our Haynes Boone team has fought for the release of records related to the tragic mass shooting at Robb Elementary,” said Haynes Boone Media Law Chair **Laura Prather**. “We’re still waiting on Uvalde CISD, Uvalde County and Texas DPS to release dozens of interviews, hundreds of body camera videos and thousands of investigative files. Transparency is necessary to help Uvalde heal and allow us all to understand what happened and learn how to prevent future tragedies.”

Associate Reid Pillifant provided support throughout the effort. The newly revealed records received significant coverage from journalists around the world.

Below is a short summary:

ProPublica/Texas Tribune: After Uvalde City Officials End Battle Over Shooting Records, Victims’ Families Say Other Agencies Need to Follow Suit

Austin American-Stateman: 'He's inside the school!' Devastating 911 Calls, Video From Uvalde School Shooting Released

USA Today: Tragic 911 Calls, Body Camera Footage From Uvalde, Texas School Shooting Released

Houston Chronicle: As Uvalde Shooting Unfolded, Child Told 911, ‘There’s Somebody Dying at My School’

WFAA (ABC Dallas): City of Uvalde Releases Public Records From Robb Elementary Mass Shooting in Settlement With WFAA, Other Media Outlets

KVUE (ABC Austin) and KHOU (CBS Houston): Public Records Released by City of Uvalde in Robb Elementary Mass Shooting Paint Detailed Picture of Chaos, Terror

KSAT (ABC San Antonio)*:* Why KSAT Is Publishing the Majority of the City of Uvalde’s Footage, Audio From Robb Elementary Shooting

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WOAI (NBC San Antonio): Fight for Transparency: Inside the Fight for the Robb Elementary Shooting Records

Texas Lawbook: Settlement Talks Yield Open Records Release in Uvalde

Washington Post: Videos, Bodycam Footage and 911 Calls Released From 2022 Uvalde Shooting

Wall Street Journal: New Uvalde Records Further Reveal Depth of Police Inaction in Texas School Massacre

CNN: Text Messages Reveal Police Conversations Following the Uvalde School Shooting

Fox News: Uvalde School Shooter's Uncle Tried To Intervene, but His Call Came 10 Minutes After Gunman Was Dead

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