

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:98-cv-02817-RMU**

HIGHTOWER v. FBI
Assigned to: Judge Ricardo M. Urbina
Demand: \$0
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 11/20/1998
Date Terminated: 03/20/2000
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 550 Prisoner Petition:
Civil Rights (Other)
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government
Defendant

Plaintiff

CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER

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RB-51024
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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/20/1998	1	COMPLAINT filed by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER (bjsp) (Entered: 11/23/1998)
11/20/1998		SUMMONS (3) issued to federal party(s) federal defendant FBI , and non-parties: U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (bjsp) (Entered: 11/23/1998)

11/20/1998	3	TRUST FUND ACCOUNT summary filed by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER pursuant to order . (bjsp) (Entered: 11/23/1998)
11/20/1998	4	ORDER by Judge Aubrey E. Robinson : directing that monthly payments be made from the prisoner account of CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER . (N) (bjsp) (Entered: 11/23/1998)
11/23/1998	2	APPLICATION by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER to proceed in forma pauperis (bjsp) (Entered: 11/23/1998)
12/18/1998	5	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed upon U.S. Attorney on 12/9/98 (bjsp) (Entered: 12/22/1998)
12/18/1998	6	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed upon U.S. Attorney General on 12/9/98 (bjsp) (Entered: 12/22/1998)
12/28/1998	7	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed upon U.S. Attorney on 12/18/98 (bjsp) Modified on 12/29/1998 (Entered: 12/29/1998)
12/28/1998	8	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed on 12/21/98 upon federal defendant FBI (bjsp) Modified on 12/29/1998 (Entered: 12/29/1998)
01/07/1999	9	ANSWER TO COMPLAINT [1-1] by federal defendant FBI . (bjsp) (Entered: 01/08/1999)
01/11/1999		SCHEDULING NOTICE: status hearing set for 9:30 3/8/99 ; before Judge Ricardo M. Urbina Courtroom # 12, Fourth Floor. (jwd) (Entered: 01/11/1999)
01/22/1999	10	STATEMENT filed by federal defendant FBI , . (jf) (Entered: 01/25/1999)
02/22/1999	12	MOTION filed by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER for expedited processing of freedom of information act request ; exhibit (1) (tw) (Entered: 02/24/1999)
02/23/1999	11	MOTION filed by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER for order to compel the DOJ to join into this case as a defendant ; affidavits (1) (bjsp) Modified on 02/24/1999 (Entered: 02/24/1999)
03/05/1999	13	RESPONSE (OPPOSITIONS) by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER to defendant's motion to dismiss with prejudice (FIAT) URBINA, J. (bjsp) (Entered: 03/05/1999)
03/05/1999	14	ORDER by Judge Ricardo M. Urbina : granting motion for order to compel the DOJ to join into this case as a defendant (MOTION TREATED AS MOTION TO AMEND HE COMPLAINT) [11-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER ; defendant shall respond to the plaintiff's motion for expedited processing of Freedom of Information Act Request before 3/23/99; dispositive motions due 4/20/99 ; response to dispositive motions due 5/18/99; reply to dispositive motions due 6/8/99 (N) (jwd) Modified on 06/18/1999 (Entered: 03/05/1999)
03/08/1999	15	MOTION filed by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER for the Court to enter an order compelling defendants to produce a vaughn index and produce withheld documents ; exhibits (4) (bjsp) (Entered: 03/09/1999)

03/17/1999	16	RESPONSE by federal defendant FBI to motion for the Court to enter an order compelling defendants to produce a vaughn index and produce withheld documents [15-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER, motion for expedited processing of freedom of information act request [12-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER; Exhibit (1) (tth) (Entered: 03/18/1999)
04/20/1999	17	MOTION filed by federal defendant FBI for summary judgment ; declarations (1) ; attachments (bjsp) (Entered: 04/22/1999)
04/22/1999	18	ORDER by Judge Ricardo M. Urbina: directing plaintiff shall respond to the defendant's dispositive motion on or before 5/18/99. (N) (jwd) (Entered: 04/22/1999)
05/18/1999	19	RESPONSE by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER in opposition to motion for summary judgment [17-1] by FBI . ; exhibits (13) (bjsp) (Entered: 05/20/1999)
05/20/1999	20	MOTION filed by federal defendant FBI to extend time to 6/11/99 to file a response to plaintiff's opposition RE: defendants motion for summary judgment (bjsp) (Entered: 05/22/1999)
06/02/1999	21	ORDER by Judge Ricardo M. Urbina : granting motion to extend time to 6/11/99 to file a response to plaintiff's opposition RE: defendants motion for summary judgment [20-1] by FBI; plaintiff's reply and motion in opposition to Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment due by 6/11/99 (N) (jwd) (Entered: 06/02/1999)
06/09/1999	22	REPLY by federal defendant FBI in support of their motion for summary judgment [17-1] by FBI; (second declaration 1) (bjsp) (Entered: 06/10/1999)
09/13/1999	23	ORDER by Judge Ricardo M. Urbina : denying motion for expedited processing of freedom of information act request [12-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER (N) (jwd) (Entered: 09/13/1999)
09/28/1999	24	SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF by federal defendant FBI in support of their motion for summary judgment [17-1] by FBI (bjsp) (Entered: 09/29/1999)
09/28/1999	25	SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF by federal defendant FBI in support of motion for summary judgment [17-1] by FBI (bjsp) (Entered: 09/30/1999)
10/18/1999	26	SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER in support of motion to proceed in forma pauperis [2-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER (bjsp) (Entered: 10/19/1999)
10/18/1999	27	NOTICE OF INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER from order [23-1] , entered on: 9/13/99. (IFP). Copies were sent out to Christopher Hightower, Brian Sonfield, Mark Nagle, Daivd Smorodin and Wilma Lewis. (bjsp) (Entered: 10/19/1999)
10/19/1999		TRANSMITTED PRELIMINARY RECORD on appeal [27-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER to U.S. Court of Appeals (bjsp) (Entered: 10/19/1999)
10/21/1999		USCA # 99 5351 assigned for appeal [27-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER (bjsp) (Entered: 10/22/1999)

11/01/1999	28	MOTION filed by plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER for leave to file post conviction exhibits 127 and 128, instanter ; EXHIBITS (127 AND 128) (tw) (Entered: 11/04/1999)
03/15/2000	29	COPY of Order filed in USCA dated 3/13/00, referencing appeal [27-1] , directing initial partial filing fee. USCA # 99-5351 (cjp) (Entered: 03/15/2000)
03/20/2000	30	MEMORANDUM OPINION by Judge Ricardo M. Urbina (N) (jwd) (Entered: 03/20/2000)
03/20/2000	31	ORDER by Judge Ricardo M. Urbina: granting motion for leave to file post conviction exhibits 127 and 128, instanter [28-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER, granting motion for summary judgment [17-1] by FBI, denying motion for the Court to enter an order compelling defendants to produce a vaughn index and produce withheld documents [15-1] by CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER (N) (jwd) (Entered: 03/20/2000)
03/20/2000	33	EXHIBITS of plaintiff CHRISTOPHER J. HIGHTOWER (td) (Entered: 02/07/2001)
05/09/2000	32	CERTIFIED COPY of order filed in USCA dated 3/13/00, on appeal [27-1] , dismissing appeal . USCA # 99-5351 (mmh) (Entered: 05/16/2000)
10/04/2002		DEPOSIT by plaintiff of \$150.00 filing fee paid (cjp) (Entered: 10/28/2002)
11/06/2002	34	ORDER by Judge Reggie B. Walton : directing that the plaintiff has now paid the filing fee in full as ordered by the Court and that nothing further from plaintiff's prison account for payment of the filing fee for this case (N) (glb) (Entered: 11/06/2002)