

**U.S. District Court  
Eastern District of Michigan (Detroit)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:20-cv-11637-MAG-APP**

Lawrence v. United States Small Business Administration  
Assigned to: District Judge Mark A. Goldsmith  
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Anthony P. Patti  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 06/22/2020  
Date Terminated: 03/19/2021  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
06/22/2020	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT filed by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr against United States Small Business Association. <a href="#">Plaintiff requests summons issued.</a> Filing Fee Paid \$400-Receipt #AMIEDC-7878824 County of 1st Plaintiff: Oakland - County Where Action Arose: USA - County of 1st Defendant: USA. [Previously dismissed case: No] [Possible companion case(s): None] (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 (SBA's FOIA Response Letter)) (Dubuc, Dennis) Modified on 6/23/2020 (SKra). (Entered: 06/22/2020)
06/22/2020	<u>2</u>	[ENTERED IN ERROR] Notice of Filing Fee Not Paid. <b>Correction due by 6/29/2020</b> (SKra) (Entered: 06/22/2020)
06/22/2020		A United States Magistrate Judge of this Court is available to conduct all proceedings in this civil action in accordance with 28 U.S.C. 636c and FRCP 73. The Notice, Consent, and Reference of a Civil Action to a Magistrate Judge form is available for download at <a href="http://www.mied.uscourts.gov">http://www.mied.uscourts.gov</a> (SKra) (Entered: 06/22/2020)

06/23/2020	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS Issued for *United States Small Business Administration* (SKra) (Entered: 06/23/2020)
06/23/2020	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS Issued for the United States Attorney and the Office of the Attorney General. (SKra) (Entered: 06/23/2020)
07/02/2020	<u>5</u>	ORDER Regarding Certification Requirements. Signed by District Judge Mark A. Goldsmith. (Sandusky, K) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/27/2020	<u>6</u>	AMENDED COMPLAINT filed by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr against Frank J. Lawrence, Jr. <b>NO NEW PARTIES ADDED</b> . (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 (SBA Response Letter), # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2 (PPP Application Form)) (Dubuc, Dennis) Modified on 7/27/2020 (DWor). [DOCUMENT FILED AGAINST DEFENDANT] (Entered: 07/27/2020)
07/30/2020	<u>7</u>	STIPULATED ORDER for Extension of Time. Signed by District Judge Mark A. Goldsmith. (Sandusky, K) (Entered: 07/30/2020)
08/05/2020	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Lynn Marie Dodge on behalf of United States Small Business Administration. (Dodge, Lynn) (Entered: 08/05/2020)
08/27/2020	<u>9</u>	MOTION to Dismiss by United States Small Business Administration. (Dodge, Lynn) (Entered: 08/27/2020)
08/31/2020	<u>10</u>	RESPONSE to <u>9</u> MOTION to Dismiss filed by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr. (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 08/31/2020)
09/14/2020	<u>11</u>	REPLY to Response re <u>9</u> MOTION to Dismiss filed by United States Small Business Administration. (Dodge, Lynn) (Entered: 09/14/2020)
09/15/2020	<u>12</u>	ORDER on Briefing. Signed by District Judge Mark A. Goldsmith. (Sandusky, K) (Entered: 09/15/2020)
09/24/2020	<u>13</u>	MOTION for Sanctions by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit (1) SBA's Response Letter, # <u>3</u> Exhibit (2) 8/28/20 Service Copy of Motion for Sanctions, # <u>4</u> Exhibit (3) Similar FOIA Responses from SBA, # <u>5</u> Exhibit (4) Sample SBA FOIA Response With Reasons, # <u>6</u> Exhibit (5) SBA Declaration of What Was On Its Website Link Content) (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 09/24/2020)
10/08/2020	<u>14</u>	RESPONSE to <u>13</u> MOTION for Sanctions filed by United States Small Business Administration. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 4) (Dodge, Lynn) (Entered: 10/08/2020)
10/15/2020	<u>15</u>	REPLY to Response re <u>13</u> MOTION for Sanctions filed by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr. (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 10/15/2020)
11/09/2020	<u>16</u>	NOTICE by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr <i>Notice of Supplemental Authority</i> (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 11/09/2020)
01/04/2021	<u>17</u>	MOTION for Attorney Fees by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 – News article on SBA policy not to release info, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2 – SBA's 12/7/2020 revised response, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3 – SBA's 12/14/2020 revised response, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 4 – Affidavit of Counsel) (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 01/04/2021)
01/05/2021	<u>18</u>	Amended MOTION for Attorney Fees by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 – News article on SBA policy not to release info, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2 – SBA's 12/7/2020 revised response, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3 – SBA's 12/14/2020 revised response, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 4 – Affidavit of Counsel) (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 01/05/2021)
01/11/2021	<u>19</u>	NOTICE by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr of withdrawal of <u>17</u> MOTION for Attorney Fees [to replace ECF 17 with ECF 18]. (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 01/11/2021)
01/19/2021	<u>20</u>	STIPULATED ORDER for Extension of Time ( <b>Response due by 1/26/2021</b> ). Signed by District Judge Mark A. Goldsmith. (Sandusky, K) (Entered: 01/19/2021)
01/25/2021	<u>21</u>	STIPULATED ORDER for Extension of Time ( <b>Response due by 1/29/2021</b> ). Signed by District Judge Mark A. Goldsmith. (Sandusky, K) (Entered: 01/25/2021)

01/29/2021	<u>22</u>	RESPONSE to <u>18</u> Amended MOTION for Attorney Fees filed by United States Small Business Administration. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 – DC Order, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2 – Letter dated 12–7–20, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3 – Letter dated 12–14–20, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 4 – OIG Response) (Dodge, Lynn) (Entered: 01/29/2021)
02/04/2021	<u>23</u>	REPLY to Response re <u>18</u> Amended MOTION for Attorney Fees filed by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 – 1/21/21 Memorandum Opinion on Attorneys Fees and Costs in WP Company v SBA, Case 1:20–cv–01240–JEB, ECF 35 (D.D.C.)) (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 02/04/2021)
02/04/2021	<u>24</u>	INDEX of Exhibits re <u>23</u> Reply to Response to Motion, by Frank J. Lawrence, Jr <i>Corrected Index of Exhibits and Exhibit 1</i> (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 – 1/21/21 Memorandum Opinion on Attorneys Fees and Costs in WP Company v SBA, Case 1:20–cv–01240–JEB, ECF 35 (D.D.C.)) (Dubuc, Dennis) (Entered: 02/04/2021)
02/25/2021	<u>25</u>	ATTORNEY SUBSTITUTION for United States Small Business Administration: Bradley Darling added. (Darling, Bradley) (Entered: 02/25/2021)
03/19/2021	<u>26</u>	ORDERING (1) Dismissing the Complaint as Moot and (2) Denying the Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. <u>9</u> ) as Moot. Signed by District Judge Mark A. Goldsmith. (Sandusky, K) (Entered: 03/19/2021)