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**U.S. District Court**  
**United States District Court for the Western District of Washington (Seattle)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:21-cv-00075-RSM**

Oram v. Wilkie et al  
Assigned to: Judge Ricardo S. Martinez  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 01/20/2021  
Date Terminated: 10/28/2021  
Jury Demand: Plaintiff  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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**Defendant**

**United States Department of Veterans Affairs**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
01/20/2021	<a href="#">1</a>	APPLICATION to Proceed in Forma Pauperis by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> PROPOSED Complaint, # <a href="#">2</a> Civil Cover Sheet, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit A1, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit A2, # <a href="#">5</a> Exhibit A3, # <a href="#">6</a> Exhibit B, # <a href="#">7</a> Exhibit C, # <a href="#">8</a> Exhibit D, # <a href="#">9</a> Summons Wilkie, # <a href="#">10</a> Summons Hudson, # <a href="#">11</a> Summons AUSA, # <a href="#">12</a> Summons Attorney General, # <a href="#">13</a> Email transmittal)(CDA) (Entered: 01/21/2021)

01/21/2021	<a href="#">2</a>	LETTER sent re IFP deficiency; - Signature is missing from the document(s). Please sign as appropriate.  Filer has until 2/22/2021 to correct NOTE: The Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis and the Complaint need correct signatures (not typed signatures). Enclosed are the pages to sign from both documents. (CDA)cc plaintiff via US Mail (Entered: 01/21/2021)
01/26/2021	<a href="#">4</a>	CORRECTED MOTION for Leave to Proceed In Forma Pauperis, filed by Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (PM) (Entered: 01/26/2021)
01/26/2021	<a href="#">5</a>	ORDER granting Plaintiff's <a href="#">4</a> Motion for Leave to Proceed In Forma Pauperis. However, the Court recommends the complaint be reviewed under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B) before issuance of summons. Signed by Hon. Michelle L. Peterson. (PM) cc: Plaintiff via USPS (Entered: 01/26/2021)
01/26/2021	<a href="#">6</a>	COMPLAINT and JURY DEMAND against defendant(s) William A Hudson, Jr, Robert Wilkie (Receipt # IFP Granted), filed by Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit A1, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit A2, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit A3, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit B, # <a href="#">5</a> Exhibit C, # <a href="#">6</a> Exhibit D) (PM) (Entered: 01/26/2021)
01/26/2021	<a href="#">7</a>	Summons(es) Electronically Issued as to defendant(s) William A Hudson, Jr, Robert Wilkie (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Summons Robert Wilkie, # <a href="#">2</a> Summons William A Hudson, Jr, # <a href="#">3</a> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <a href="#">4</a> Summons AUSA, # <a href="#">5</a> Pro Se Instruction Sheet)(PM) cc: Letter, Summons, Pro Se Instruction Sheet sent to Plaintiff via USPS (Entered: 01/26/2021)
02/01/2021	<a href="#">8</a>	NOTICE: Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr has registered to electronically file and receive electronic service in this case. (KB) (Entered: 02/01/2021)
02/01/2021	<a href="#">9</a>	Unopposed MOTION to Amend <i>Order dated Jan 26, 2021 (Dkt #5)</i> , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Proposed Order Amended Order Proposal) Noting Date 2/1/2021, (Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 02/01/2021)
02/01/2021	<a href="#">10</a>	ORDER granting Plaintiff's <a href="#">9</a> Motion for Service of Summonses by USMO. DIRECTING SERVICE Packet with documents to be served on Robert Wilkie, William A Hudson, Jr., U.S. Attorney WDWA, U.S. Attorney General. Documents hand delivered to the US Marshal's Office on 2/1/2021. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (PM) (Entered: 02/01/2021)
02/04/2021	<a href="#">11</a>	RETURN OF SERVICE by US Marshal's Office re: Service of Summons and Complaint upon U.S. Attorney, Seattle on 2/2/2021. (PM) (Entered: 02/05/2021)
03/04/2021	<a href="#">12</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by attorney Katie Denise Fairchild on behalf of Defendants William A Hudson, Jr, Robert Wilkie. (Fairchild, Katie) (Entered: 03/04/2021)
03/04/2021	<a href="#">13</a>	ANSWER to <a href="#">6</a> Complaint, by William A Hudson, Jr, Robert Wilkie.(Fairchild, Katie) (Entered: 03/04/2021)
03/15/2021	<a href="#">14</a>	REPLY BRIEF <i>to the Defendants Answer</i> by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 03/15/2021)
03/24/2021	<a href="#">15</a>	Proposed MOTION for Leave <i>to Supplement complaint (Dkt # 6) &amp; reply (Dkt #14)</i> , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit Exhibit Y) Noting Date 4/2/2021, (Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 03/24/2021)
03/25/2021	<a href="#">16</a>	ORDER granting <a href="#">15</a> Motion for Leave (Supplement), which the Court interprets as a Motion for leave to amend. Plaintiff may file an amended complaint once as a matter of course under Rule 15(a)(1) no later than tomorrow, i.e., <b>one</b> day after the date of this Order. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (LH) (Entered: 03/25/2021)
03/26/2021	<a href="#">17</a>	AMENDED COMPLAINT <i>of the Initial Complaint</i> against All Defendants, filed by Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit Exhibit 1)(Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 03/26/2021)
04/09/2021	<a href="#">18</a>	ANSWER to <a href="#">17</a> Amended Complaint by William A Hudson, Jr, Robert Wilkie United States Department of Veterans Affairs.(Fairchild, Katie) Modified on 4/12/2021 to correct name of defendant(PM). (Entered: 04/09/2021)
04/12/2021		Party Department of Veterans Affairs added. Parties William A Hudson, Jr (General Counsel of the Department of Veterans Affairs) and Robert Wilkie (Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs) terminated, per <a href="#">17</a> First Amended Complaint. (PM) (Entered: 04/12/2021)

05/27/2021	<a href="#">19</a>	MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>of the Ammended Complaint dated 5/25/2021</i> , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit Attachment A, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit Attachment B) Noting Date 6/18/2021, (Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 05/27/2021)
06/14/2021	<a href="#">20</a>	Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>AND OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT</i> , filed by Defendant United States Department of Veterans Affairs. Noting Date 7/23/2021, (Fairchild, Katie) (Entered: 06/14/2021)
06/14/2021	<a href="#">21</a>	DECLARATION of Marvis Harvey filed by Defendant United States Department of Veterans Affairs re <a href="#">20</a> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>AND OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT</i> (Fairchild, Katie) (Entered: 06/14/2021)
06/14/2021	<a href="#">22</a>	EXHIBIT <i>EXHIBITS 1-5</i> re <a href="#">21</a> Declaration by Defendant United States Department of Veterans Affairs (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit 2, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit 3, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit 4, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit 5)(Fairchild, Katie) (Entered: 06/14/2021)
06/15/2021		NOTICE REGARDING LACK OF PROPER SIGNATURE. The <a href="#">21</a> Declaration was improperly signed by <u>Marvis Harvey</u> . Signatures must comply with <a href="#">ECF Filing Procedures</a> . Please file corrected signature page using <i>Praecipe to Attach</i> event and link to original filing. (LH) (Entered: 06/15/2021)
06/16/2021	<a href="#">23</a>	PRAECIPE re <a href="#">21</a> Declaration of <i>Marvis Harvey</i> by Defendant United States Department of Veterans Affairs (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Supplement Declaration of Marvis Harvey)(Fairchild, Katie) (Entered: 06/16/2021)
07/19/2021	<a href="#">24</a>	<del>GROSS MOTION AND RESPONSE</del> re <a href="#">20</a> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>AND OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT</i> , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit Exhibit 1, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit Exhibit 2, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit Exhibit 3) Noting Date 8/6/2021, (Oram, Cyril) Modified on 7/20/2021 to reflect this is not a motion but a response (PM). (Entered: 07/19/2021)
07/20/2021		***Motion terminated: <a href="#">24</a> <del>CROSS MOTION AND RESPONSE</del> re <a href="#">20</a> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>AND OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT</i> filed by Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. Motion terminated as this filing is a response to the Motion at Dkt. #20 and does not in itself move for new relief from the Court. (COB) (Entered: 07/20/2021)
07/20/2021	<a href="#">25</a>	REPLY RESPONSE (Duplicate of dkt. <a href="#">24</a> except for change in document title), filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr, <del>TO RESPONSE</del> to <a href="#">20</a> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>AND OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT</i> (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit Exhibit 1, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit Exhibit 2, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit Exhibit 3)(Oram, Cyril) Modified on 7/20/2021 (PM). (Entered: 07/20/2021)
07/20/2021		NOTICE of Docket Text Modification. Re: <a href="#">24</a> <del>CROSS MOTION AND RESPONSE</del> . Clerk edited text to clarify this is a response and not a motion. Re: <a href="#">25</a> <del>Reply to Response to Motion</del> . Text modified to indicate this is a response - not a reply, and to reflect that the filing is a duplicate of dkt. <a href="#">24</a> with the exception of a slight change in the title. (PM) (Entered: 07/20/2021)
07/23/2021	<a href="#">26</a>	REPLY, filed by Defendant United States Department of Veterans Affairs, TO RESPONSE to <a href="#">20</a> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>AND OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT</i> (Fairchild, Katie) (Entered: 07/23/2021)
07/26/2021	<a href="#">27</a>	MOTION for Sanctions <i>to Strike the Defendants Reply at Dkt #26</i> , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit Exhibit 1, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit Exhibit 2) Noting Date 7/26/2021, (Oram, Cyril) Modified on 7/27/2021 to correct title of document(PM). (Entered: 07/26/2021)

07/27/2021	28	MINUTE ORDER, Motions terminated: <a href="#">27</a> MOTION for Sanctions <i>to Strike the Defendants Reply at Dkt #26</i> filed by Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. The following MINUTE ORDER is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable Ricardo S. Martinez, Chief United States District Judge: By local rule, requests to strike material contained in or attached to submissions of opposing parties shall not be presented in a separate motion to strike, but shall instead be included in the responsive brief, and will be considered with the underlying motion. LCR 7(g). The single exception to this rule is for requests to strike material contained in or attached to a reply brief, in which case the opposing party may file a surreply requesting that the court strike the material. However, before filing a surreply, a notice of intent to file a surreply must be filed. LCR 7(g)(1). The surreply "shall be strictly limited to addressing the request to strike" and "extraneous argument... will not be considered." LCR 7(g)(2). The surreply shall not exceed three pages. LCR 7(g)(3). Plaintiff has filed a Motion to strike a reply brief without filing a notice, the filing includes extraneous argument, and it exceeds three pages. Accordingly, the Court STRIKES this Motion as procedurally improper and will not consider it. No further briefing on the parties' Motions for Summary Judgment is permitted without leave of the Court. (COB) (Entered: 07/27/2021)
07/27/2021	<a href="#">29</a>	MOTION for Reconsideration re <a href="#">27</a> MOTION for Sanctions <i>to Strike the Defendants Reply at Dkt #26</i> , 28 Minute Order,,,,,, Terminate Motions,,,,,, , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. Noting Date 7/27/2021, (Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 07/27/2021)
07/27/2021	<a href="#">30</a>	MOTION for Reconsideration re <a href="#">29</a> MOTION for Reconsideration re <a href="#">27</a> MOTION for Sanctions <i>to Strike the Defendants Reply at Dkt #26</i> , 28 Minute Order,,,,,, Terminate Motions,,,,,, <i>CORRECTION TO CITE LCR#7(g)(5)</i> , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. Noting Date 7/27/2021, (Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 07/27/2021)
07/28/2021		***Motion terminated: <a href="#">29</a> MOTION for Reconsideration filed by Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. Corrected Motion filed at dkt. # <a href="#">30</a> . (PM) (Entered: 07/28/2021)
07/29/2021	<a href="#">31</a>	ORDER denying Plaintiff's <a href="#">29</a> <a href="#">30</a> Motions for Reconsideration. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (PM) (Entered: 07/29/2021)
07/29/2021	<a href="#">32</a>	MOTION For Clarification re <a href="#">31</a> Order on Motion for Reconsideration , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. Noting Date 7/29/2021, (Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 07/29/2021)
07/29/2021	<a href="#">33</a>	MOTION for Leave to File <i>Response to Agency Reply In Support of Its Cross Motion at Dkt #20</i> , filed by Plaintiff Cyril David Daniel Oram, Jr. Noting Date 7/29/2021, (Oram, Cyril) (Entered: 07/29/2021)
08/09/2021	<a href="#">34</a>	RESPONSE, by Defendant United States Department of Veterans Affairs, to <a href="#">32</a> MOTION For Clarification re <a href="#">31</a> Order on Motion for Reconsideration , <a href="#">33</a> MOTION for Leave to File <i>Response to Agency Reply In Support of Its Cross Motion at Dkt #20</i> . (Fairchild, Katie) (Entered: 08/09/2021)
10/28/2021	<a href="#">35</a>	ORDER denying Plaintiff's <a href="#">19</a> Motion for Summary Judgment and granting Defendant's <a href="#">20</a> Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment. Plaintiff's <a href="#">33</a> Motion for Leave to File Response to Agency Reply is DENIED as the requested relief is procedurally improper under Local Civil Rule 7. All other pending Motions are DENIED as MOOT. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (SB) (Entered: 10/28/2021)
10/28/2021	<a href="#">36</a>	JUDGMENT BY COURT. Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment, Dkt. # <a href="#">19</a> , is DENIED. Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment, Dkt. # <a href="#">20</a> , is GRANTED. All of Plaintiff's claims are DISMISSED. (SB) (cc: finance) (Entered: 10/28/2021)