

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:21-cv-00053-RBW**

WHEELER v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE et al
Assigned to: Judge Reggie B. Walton
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 01/04/2021
Date Terminated: 12/03/2021
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 550 Prisoner Petition: Civil
Rights (Other)
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

RONALD WHEELER

represented by **RONALD WHEELER**
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V.

Defendant

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE**

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**UNITED STATES DRUG
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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
01/04/2021		Initiating Pleading & IFP Application Received on 1/4/2021. A copy of the docket sheet has been mailed to the address of record for the pro se party. (adh,) (Entered: 01/12/2021)
01/04/2021	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION filed by RONALD WHEELER. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit)(adh,) (Entered: 01/12/2021)
01/04/2021	<u>2</u>	MOTION for Leave to Proceed in forma pauperis by RONALD WHEELER (adh,) (Entered: 01/12/2021)
01/04/2021	<u>4</u>	MOTION For Service by U.S. Marshall by RONALD WHEELER (adh,) (Entered: 01/12/2021)
01/12/2021	<u>3</u>	PRISONER TRUST FUND ACCOUNT STATEMENT for period of six months by RONALD WHEELER (adh,) (Entered: 01/12/2021)
01/21/2021	<u>5</u>	ORDER directing an initial partial filing fee in the amount of \$10.39 from Prison Account of RONALD WHEELER and granting MOTION for Leave to Proceed In Forma Pauperis (see order for full details). Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 1/21/2021. (adh,) (Entered: 01/21/2021)
01/21/2021		Case Assigned to Judge Reggie B. Walton. (adh,) (Entered: 01/21/2021)
02/05/2021	<u>6</u>	SUMMONS (5) Issued as to FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General, sent to the U.S. Marshals Service (adh,) (Entered: 02/05/2021)
02/08/2021	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 2/8/2021. (ztth) (Entered: 02/09/2021)
02/10/2021	<u>8</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 2/10/2021. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 3/12/2021. (ztth) (Entered: 02/12/2021)
02/16/2021	<u>9</u>	GENERAL ORDER FOR CIVIL CASES BEFORE THE HONORABLE REGGIE B. WALTON. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on February 16, 2021. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 02/16/2021)
02/19/2021	<u>10</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kristin Brudy–Everett on behalf of FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (Brudy–Everett, Kristin) (Entered: 02/19/2021)
02/19/2021	<u>11</u>	NOTICE of Consent to Assignment to Magistrate Judge by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (Brudy–Everett, Kristin) (Entered: 02/19/2021)
03/08/2021	<u>12</u>	LEAVE TO FILE DENIED – Proposed Order. This document is unavailable as the Court denied its filing. "Leave to file DENIED. The court officers have effected service of process. The Clerk shall enclose with this return a courtesy copy of the docket sheet." Signed by Judge /s/ Reggie B. Walton on 3/5/2021. (ztth) (Entered: 03/08/2021)

03/12/2021	<u>13</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION.(Brudy–Everett, Kristin) (Entered: 03/12/2021)
03/24/2021	<u>15</u>	Mail Returned as Undeliverable; Sent to RONALD WHEELER; Type of Document Returned: Public Docket Sheet for 21cv53; New Address: Unknown. (ztth) (Entered: 03/26/2021)
03/26/2021	<u>14</u>	STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Angela Hertel, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Brudy–Everett, Kristin) (Entered: 03/26/2021)
04/06/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of <u>14</u> the Defendants' Status Report, and as proposed, the defendants shall file a progress report on or before May 25, 2021. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on 4/6/2021.(psu1) (Entered: 04/06/2021)
04/06/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 5/25/2021 (hs) (Entered: 04/06/2021)
05/25/2021	<u>16</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>and Proposed Briefing Schedule</i> by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Brudy–Everett, Kristin) (Entered: 05/25/2021)
06/01/2021		MINUTE ORDER SETTING BRIEFING SCHEDULE. In their latest status report, ECF No. 16, the defendants represent that they have satisfied their disclosure obligations in this FOIA case by producing all non–exempt records. Therefore, barring a notice of settlement, the parties shall adhere to the following deadlines. As proposed, the defendants' motion to dismiss and/or for summary judgment is due on or before July 15, 2021; the plaintiff's combined opposition and any cross–motion for summary judgment motion is due on or before August 26, 2021; the defendants' combined opposition to the plaintiff's cross–motion and reply, if needed, is due on or before September 9, 2021; and the plaintiff's reply, if needed, is due on or before October 7, 2021. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on 6/1/2021.(psu1) (Entered: 06/01/2021)
06/01/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Summary Judgment/ Motion to dismiss due by 7/15/2021. Cross Motion /Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 8/26/2021. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 9/9/2021. Reply due by 10/7/2021 (hs) (Entered: 06/01/2021)
07/01/2021	<u>17</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Sian Jones on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Kristin Brudy–Everett (Jones, Sian) (Entered: 07/01/2021)
07/08/2021	<u>18</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File</i> by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Jones, Sian) (Entered: 07/08/2021)
07/27/2021		MINUTE ORDER AMENDING THE BRIEFING SCHEDULE. Upon consideration of <u>18</u> the defendants' motion for an extension of time, the motion is hereby GRANTED, and the parties shall adhere to the following new deadlines. As proposed, the defendants' motion to dismiss or for summary judgment is due on or before August 16, 2021; the plaintiff's combined opposition and any cross–motion for summary judgment is due on or before September 27, 2021; the defendants' reply and any opposition to the plaintiff's cross–motion is due on or before October 12, 2021; and the plaintiff's reply to any opposition is due on or before November 8, 2021. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on 7/27/2021.(psu1) (Entered: 07/27/2021)
07/28/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Summary Judgment motions due by 8/16/2021. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 9/27/2021. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 10/12/2021. Reply due by 11/8/2021. (hs) (Entered: 07/28/2021)

08/16/2021	<u>19</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum in Support, # <u>2</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>3</u> Declaration Seidel, # <u>4</u> Exhibit A, # <u>5</u> Exhibit B, # <u>6</u> Exhibit C, # <u>7</u> Exhibit D, # <u>8</u> Exhibit E, # <u>9</u> Exhibit F, # <u>10</u> Exhibit G, # <u>11</u> Exhibit H, # <u>12</u> Declaration Hertel, # <u>13</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Jones, Sian) (Entered: 08/16/2021)
09/01/2021	<u>20</u>	Order advising the plaintiff to respond to the defendants' summary judgment motion by the previously scheduled deadline of September 27, 2021, or risk dismissal of the case or entry of judgment in the defendants' favor (see document for details). Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on 9/1/2021.(psu1) (Entered: 09/01/2021)
09/02/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant's Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 9/27/2021. (hs) (Entered: 09/02/2021)
09/28/2021	<u>21</u>	Mail Returned as Undeliverable re <u>20</u> Fox/Neal Order, Sent to RONALD WHEELER; Resent at New Address: UNKNOWN. (hs) (Entered: 09/28/2021)
11/02/2021	<u>22</u>	NOTICE by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (Jones, Sian) (Entered: 11/02/2021)
12/03/2021	<u>23</u>	ORDER dismissing and closing the case, for failure to prosecute (see document for details). Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on 12/3/2021. (psu1) (Entered: 12/03/2021)