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CIVIL COVER SHEET

JS-44 (Rev. 11/2020 DC)												
I. (a) PLAINTIFFS NATIONAL VETERANS LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM					DEFENDANTS U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS							
(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF D.C. (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)				COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY) NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED								
``		S, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER	.)	A.	ITORNEYS	(IF KNOW	/N)					
Barton F. Stichman												
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II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (PLACE AN x IN ONE BOX ONLY)			III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (PLACE AN X IN ONE BOX FOR PLAINTIFF AND ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT) FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY!									
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		eral Question . Government Not a Party) Ci		n of this	State 0 1				ated or Principal Place	O 4	O 4	
2 U.S. Government Defendant	4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in item III)		Citizen of An				O 2		ated and Principal Place ess in Another State	5	O 5	
		rances in tem iii)		n or Subj n Count		O 3	O 3 O 3		Foreign Nation		O 6	
IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT												
(Place an X in one category, A-N, that best represents your Cause of Action and one in a corresponding Nature of Suit)												
O A. Antitrust		Personal Injury/ Ialpractice	(O C.	Admini Review	istrative	Agenc	y	O D. Tempor Order/Pr	relimina		
410 Antitrust	310 Ai	rplane	l l	151	Medicare	Act			Injunctio	on		
		rplane Product Liability			131 Medicare Act			Any nature of suit from any category may be selected for this category of				
		sault, Libel & Slander	1 5	may be case as: 861 HIA (1395ff)								
	330 Fe	deral Employers Liability							case assignment.			
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		edical Malpractice										
		oduct Liability										
	367 H	ealth Care/Pharmaceutical										
		ersonal Injury Product Liab	ility									
	368 As	sbestos Product Liability										
O E. General Civ	il (Other)	OR	•	0		Se Gen	ieral C	ivil				
Real Property Bankruptcy				Federal Tax Suits								
210 Land Condemnation 422 Appeal 27 USC 1 220 Foreclosure 423 Withdrawal 28 U				•	870 Taxes (US plaintiff or defendant)			465 Other Imm	0			
230 Rent, Lease & Ejectment			.50 10.		871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC			470 Racketeer Influenced & Corrupt Organization				
240 Torts to Land Prisoner Petitions						7609			480 Consumer Credit			
245 Tort Product Liability 535 Death Penalty			lh o u		Forfeiture/Penalty			485 Telephone Consumer				
290 All Other Real Property 540 Mandamus & Oth			ner		625 Drug Related Seizure of			Protection Act (TCPA)				
Personal Property 550 Civil Rights 555 Prison Conditions			ıs			Property 21 USC 881		490 Cable/Satellite TV				
370 Other Fraud 560 Civil Detainee – C				onditions 690		590 Other		850 Securities/Commodities/				
371 Truth in Lending of Confinement						Other Statutes			Exchange 896 Arbitration			
380 Other Personal Property					375 False Claims Act			899 Administrative Procedure				
Damage Property Rights 385 Property Damage 820 Copyrights					376 Qui Tam (31 USC			Act/Review or Appeal of				
385 Property Damage 820 Copyrights Product Liability 830 Patent					3729(a))			Agency Decision				
835 Patent – Abbrev			iated Ne	w	400 State Reapportionment			950 Constitutionality of State				
Drug Applicatio			1		430 Banks & Banking 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc			Statutes 890 Other Statutory Actions				
840 Trademark					450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc 460 Deportation			(if not administrative agency				
880 Defend Trade Se			crets A	ct of		462 Naturalization			review or Privacy Act)			
		2016 (DTSA)				Applicati			12,12,7,011		7	

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O G. Habeas Corpus/ 2255 □ 530 Habeas Corpus – General □ 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence □ 463 Habeas Corpus – Alien Detainee	2255 Discrimination 530 Habeas Corpus – General 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence 463 Habeas Corpus – Alien Discrimination 442 Civil Rights – Employment (criteria: race, gender/sex, national origin,		J. Student Loan 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (excluding veterans)						
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K. Labor/ERISA (non-employment) 710 Fair Labor Standards Act 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations 740 Labor Railway Act 751 Family and Medical Leave Act 790 Other Labor Litigation 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act	L. Other Civil Rights (non-employment) 441 Voting (if not Voting Rights Act) 443 Housing/Accommodations 440 Other Civil Rights 445 Americans w/Disabilities – Employment 446 Americans w/Disabilities – Other 448 Education	M. Contract 110 Insurance 120 Marine 130 Miller Act 140 Negotiable Instrument 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits 160 Stockholder's Suits 190 Other Contracts 195 Contract Product Liability 196 Franchise	N. Three-Judge Court 441 Civil Rights – Voting (if Voting Rights Act)						
V. ORIGIN									
O 1 Original Proceeding Proceeding Court									
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE.) FOIA claim under 5 U.S.C. 552									
VII. REQUESTED IN CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23 DEMAND \$ Check YES only if demanded in complaint YES NO X									
VIII. RELATED CASE(S) (See instruction) IF ANY (See instruction) YES NO X If yes, please complete related case form									
DATE:12/8/2021 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD /s/ Barton F. Stichman									

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET JS-44 Authority for Civil Cover Sheet

The JS-44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replaces nor supplements the filings and services of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. Consequently, a civil cover sheet is submitted to the Clerk of Court for each civil complaint filed. Listed below are tips for completing the civil cover sheet. These tips coincide with the Roman Numerals on the cover sheet.

- I. COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF/DEFENDANT (b) County of residence: Use 11001 to indicate plaintiff if resident of Washington, DC, 88888 if plaintiff is resident of United States but not Washington, DC, and 99999 if plaintiff is outside the United States.
- III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES: This section is completed only if diversity of citizenship was selected as the Basis of Jurisdiction under Section II.
- IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT: The assignment of a judge to your case will depend on the category you select that best represents the <u>primary</u> cause of action found in your complaint. You may select only <u>one</u> category. You <u>must</u> also select <u>one</u> corresponding nature of suit found under the category of the case.
- VI. CAUSE OF ACTION: Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of the primary cause.
- VIII. RELATED CASE(S), IF ANY: If you indicated that there is a related case, you must complete a related case form, which may be obtained from the Clerk's Office.

Because of the need for accurate and complete information, you should ensure the accuracy of the information provided prior to signing the form.