## **CIVIL COVER SHEET**

JS-44 (Rev. 11/2020 DC)											
I. (a) PLAINTIFFS  American Transparency, d/b/a	a OpenTheBooks com and	1.1	DEFENDANTS U.S. Department of Health and Human Services								
Judicial Watch, Inc.											
(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF 88888 (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								
(c) ATTORNEYS (FIRMNAME, ADDRESS Paul J. Orfanedes JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. 425 Third Street SW, Suite 800 Washington, DC; Tel (202) 640	0	A	TTORNEYS (IF KNOV	/N)							
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!									
	deral Question S. Government Not a Party) Citiz	_					O 4	O 4			
Defendant (In	dicate Citizenship of	en of And	ther State		Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State		<b>O</b> 5	<b>O</b> 5			
Pa		en or Sub ign Coun		<b>O</b> 3	Foreign 1	Nation	<b>O</b> 6	<b>O</b> 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 O B. P	Personal Injury/ Talpractice	_	Administrative Review			O D. Temporo Order/Pr	ıry Resti elimina				
310 Airplane 315 Airplane Product Liability 320 Assault, Libel & Slander 330 Federal Employers Liability 340 Marine 345 Marine Product Liability 350 Motor Vehicle 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability 360 Other Personal Injury 362 Medical Malpractice 365 Product Liability 367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability 368 Asbestos Product Liability			1 Medicare Act ecurity 1 HIA (1395ff) 2 Black Lung (923) 3 DIWC/DIWW (4054) 4 SSID Title XVI 5 RSI (405(g)) tatutes 1 Agricultural Acts 3 Environmental Ma 0 Other Statutory Ac Administrative Agr Involved)	Injunction  Any nature of suit from any category may be selected for this category of case assignment.  *(If Antitrust, then A governs)*							
O E. General Civil (Other) OR O F. Pro Se General Civil											
Real Property   210 Land Condemnation   220 Foreclosure   423 Withdrawal 28 Use   423 Withdrawal 28 Use   424 Torts to Land   245 Tort Product Liability   290 All Other Real Property   370 Other Fraud   371 Truth in Lending   380 Other Personal Property   Damage   385 Property Damage   Product Liability   830 Patent   830 Patent   830 Patent   840 Trademark   880 Defend Trade Sec   2016 (DTSA)		tions New	Sederal Tax Suits   870 Taxes (US plaintiff or defendant)   871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC 7609		465 Other Immigration Actions 470 Racketeer Influenced & Corrupt Organization 480 Consumer Credit 485 Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA) 490 Cable/Satellite TV 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange 896 Arbitration 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes 890 Other Statutory Actions (if not administrative agency review or Privacy Act)						

O G. Habeas Corpus/ 2255	O H. Employment Discrimination	O I. FOIA/Privacy Act	O J. Student Loan						
530 Habeas Corpus – General 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence 463 Habeas Corpus – Alien Detainee	442 Civil Rights – Employment (criteria: race, gender/sex, national origin, discrimination, disability, age, religion, retaliation)	X 895 Freedom of Information Act 890 Other Statutory Actions (if Privacy Act)	152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (excluding veterans)						
	*(If pro se, select this deck)*	*(If pro se, select this deck)*							
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 from State from Appellate Court Cour									
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE.) 5 U.S.C. Section 552; Failure to produce records requested under FOIA									
VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT  CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23  DEMAND \$  JURY DEMAND:  Check YES only if demanded in complaint YES  NO									
VIII. RELATED CASE(S) (See instruction)  IF ANY  See instruction YES NO X  If yes, please complete related case form									
DATE:January 7, 2022	SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF REC	CORD /s/ Paul J. Orfanedes							

## 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 ir 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.