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Microsoft Corporation v. Internal Revenue Service Assigned to: Judge Ricardo S. Martinez Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

**Plaintiff** 

**Microsoft Corporation** 

## Date Filed: 10/07/2015 Jury Demand: None Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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 Judge Ricardo S Martinez added. (RE) (Entered: 10/08/2015)

 

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 Summons electronically issued as to defendant(s) Internal Revenue Service. (Attachments: # 1 Summons-Attorney General, # 2 Summons-US Attorney's Office)(RE) (Entered: 10/08/2015)

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 ORDER re 2 Application for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. The Court ADMITS Daniel A Rosen for plaintiff Microsoft Corporation by Clerk William M McCool. No document associated with this docket entry, text only.

NOTE TO COUNSEL: Local counsel agrees to sign all filings and to be prepared to handle the matter, including the trial thereof, in the event the applicant is unable to be present on any date scheduled by the court, pursuant to LCR 83.1(d).(AD) (Entered: 10/09/2015)

10/09/20156ORDER re <u>3</u> Application for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. The Court ADMITS James M O'Brien for<br/>plaintiff Microsoft Corporation by Clerk William M McCool. No document associated with this docket<br/>entry, text only.

NOTE TO COUNSEL: Local counsel agrees to sign all filings and to be prepared to handle the matter, including the trial thereof, in the event the applicant is unable to be present on any date scheduled by the court, pursuant to LCR 83.1(d).(AD) (Entered: 10/09/2015)

10/14/2015ZCORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Filed pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P 7.1. Filed by Microsoft<br/>Corporation (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 10/14/2015)

10/14/20158AFFIDAVIT of Service of Summons and Complaint on on 10/13/2015, filed by Plaintiff Microsoft<br/>Corporation. (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 10/14/2015)

11/12/2015	9	AFFIDAVIT of Mailing of Summons and Complaint to Internal Revenue Service on 10/8/2015, filed by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation. (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 11/12/2015)
11/12/2015	<u>10</u>	AFFIDAVIT of Mailing of Summons and Complaint to Attorney General of the United States on 10/8/2015, filed by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation. (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 11/12/2015)
11/13/2015	11	NOTICE of Appearance by attorney Richard J Hagerman on behalf of Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Hagerman, Richard) (Entered: 11/13/2015)
11/13/2015	<u>12</u>	Stipulated MOTION <i>for extension of time to answer</i> by Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Hagerman, Richard) (Entered: 11/13/2015)
11/18/2015	<u>13</u>	ORDER granting <u>12</u> Stipulated Motion extending time to answer to 12/16/15 by Judge Ricardo S Martinez.(RS) (Entered: 11/18/2015)
12/16/2015	14	ANSWER to 1 Complaint, by Internal Revenue Service.(Hagerman, Richard) (Entered: 12/16/2015)
12/17/2015	<u>15</u>	ORDER REGARDING INITIAL DISCLOSURES AND JOINT STATUS REPORT Joint Status Report due by 1/28/2016, FRCP 26f Conference Deadline is 1/14/2016, Initial Disclosure Deadline is 1/21/2016, by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (LW) (Entered: 12/17/2015)
01/28/2016	<u>16</u>	JOINT STATUS REPORT signed by all parties estimated Trial Days: 1. (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 01/28/2016)
04/27/2016	17	Joint STATUS REPORT by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 04/27/2016)
08/01/2016	<u>18</u>	JOINT STATUS REPORT signed by all parties (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 08/01/2016)
10/03/2016	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 10/03/2016)
01/03/2017	20	JOINT STATUS REPORT signed by all parties (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 01/03/2017)
01/25/2017	21	NOTICE of Change of Address/Change of Name of Attorney Patricia A Eakes. Filed by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation. (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 01/25/2017)
04/03/2017	22	Joint STATUS REPORT by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 04/03/2017)
07/14/2017	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 07/14/2017)
10/12/2017	24	Joint STATUS REPORT by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation (Ostrovsky, Andrea) (Entered: 10/12/2017)
01/10/2018	<u>25</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation (Ostrovsky, Andrea) (Entered: 01/10/2018)
04/11/2018	<u>26</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation (Ostrovsky, Andrea) (Entered: 04/11/2018)
07/16/2018	27	JOINT STATUS REPORT signed by all parties estimated Trial Days: 90. (Ostrovsky, Andrea) (Entered: 07/16/2018)
10/22/2018	<u>28</u>	JOINT STATUS REPORT signed by all parties estimated Trial Days: 90. (Ostrovsky, Andrea) (Entered: 10/22/2018)
03/03/2020	29	The following MINUTE ORDER is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable Ricardo S. Martinez, Chief United States District Judge: The last Joint Status Report in this matter was filed in October of 2018. The parties are now DIRECTED to file a joint status report explaining the status of this case and advising whether this case can be closed. This joint status report is due no later than fourteen (14) days from the date of this Minute Order. (COB) (Entered: 03/03/2020)
03/17/2020	<u>30</u>	JOINT STATUS REPORT signed by all parties. Estimated Trial Days: 90. (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 03/17/2020)
03/18/2020	31	JOINT STATUS REPORT AND ORDER REGARDING CASE SCHEDULE ORDER <u>30</u> Joint Status Report. The following schedule is adopted: Defendant to provide declaration(s) concerning the adequacy of its search to the Plaintiff by 8/31/2020; Defendant to complete Vaughn index and provide to the Plaintiff by 11/30/2020; Plaintiff to complete list of challenges to Defendant's exemption claims on records withheld in part and provide to Defendant by 11/30/2020; Plaintiff to identify any remaining outstanding issues requiring briefing to Defendant by 2/14/2021; Defendant's motions for summary judgment (or stipulated dismissals) filed with the Court by 3/31/2021. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (PM) (Entered: 03/18/2020)
03/27/2021	<u>32</u>	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time , filed by Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Hagerman, Richard) (Entered: 03/27/2021)

03/29/2021	33	ORDER granting the parties' <u>32</u> Joint Motion to Extend Time Regarding Case Schedule. The IRS to provide draft revised declarations: June 15, 2021; The IRS to provide draft revised Vaughn indices: August 13, 2021; The IRS to file its motion for summary judgment: September 13, 2021. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (PM) (Entered: 03/29/2021)
06/15/2021	<u>34</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time , filed by Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Attachments: # $\underline{1}$ Proposed Order)(Hagerman, Richard) (Entered: 06/15/2021)
06/16/2021	<u>35</u>	ORDER granting the parties' <u>34</u> Consent Motion Regarding Case Schedule. The IRS to provide draft revised declarations by 6/24/2021. The IRS to provide draft revised Vaughn indices by 8/13/2021. The IRS to file its motion for summary judgment by 9/13/2021. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (PM) (Entered: 06/16/2021)
08/12/2021	<u>36</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time <i>(Second Consent Motion)</i> , filed by Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Ho, Stephen) (Entered: 08/12/2021)
08/13/2021	37	ORDER granting the parties' <u>36</u> Second Consent Motion Regarding Case Schedule. The IRS to provide draft revised Vaughn indices by 9/17/2021. The IRS to file its motion for summary judgment by 10/29/2021. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (PM) (Entered: 08/13/2021)
08/23/2021	<u>38</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL: Attorney Andrea Delgadillo Ostrovsky for Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation. (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 08/23/2021)
09/17/2021	<u>39</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time ( <i>Third Consent Motion</i> ), filed by Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Ho, Stephen) Modified on 9/17/2021 Counsel filed in wrong case, will file in correct case (JF). (Entered: 09/17/2021)
09/17/2021	<u>40</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time <i>(Third Consent Motion)</i> , filed by Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Ho, Stephen) (Entered: 09/17/2021)
09/17/2021	<u>41</u>	ORDER granting Parties' <u>40</u> Third Consent Motion Regarding Case Schedule. The IRS to provide draft revised Vaughn indices by 10/15/2021. The IRS to file its motion for summary judgment by 12/3/2021. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (SB) (Entered: 09/17/2021)
12/02/2021	<u>42</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time <i>(Fourth Consent Motion)</i> , filed by Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Ho, Stephen) (Entered: 12/02/2021)
12/06/2021	<u>43</u>	ORDER re Defendant's <u>42</u> Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time. The deadline for filing a motion for summary judgment is extended up to and including 1/28/2022. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (SB) (Entered: 12/06/2021)
01/27/2022	44	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time <i>(Fifth Consent Motion)</i> , filed by Defendant Internal Revenue Service. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Ho, Stephen) (Entered: 01/27/2022)
01/28/2022	<u>45</u>	ORDER granting Parties' <u>44</u> Fifth Unopposed Motion Regarding Case Schedule. The remaining deadline for the filing of IRS's motion for summary judgment is extended up to and including 3/29/2022. Signed by Judge Ricardo S. Martinez. (SB) (Entered: 01/28/2022)
01/31/2022	<u>46</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL: Attorney James M. O'Brien for Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation. (Eakes, Patricia) (Entered: 01/31/2022)