

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:21-cv-02309-DLF**

NATIONAL STUDENT LEGAL DEFENSE NETWORK v.  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
Assigned to: Judge Dabney L. Friedrich  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/31/2021  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

**NATIONAL STUDENT LEGAL  
DEFENSE NETWORK**

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**Defendant**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/31/2021	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ( Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-8702262) filed by NATIONAL STUDENT LEGAL DEFENSE NETWORK. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons to USAG, # <u>3</u> Summons to US Department of Education, # <u>4</u> Summons to DC USAO)(Rothschild, Eric) (Entered: 08/31/2021)
08/31/2021	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by NATIONAL STUDENT LEGAL DEFENSE NETWORK (Rothschild, Eric) (Entered: 08/31/2021)
09/01/2021		Case Assigned to Judge Dabney L. Friedrich. (zsb) (Entered: 09/01/2021)
09/01/2021	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(adh, ) (Entered: 09/01/2021)
09/02/2021	<u>4</u>	STANDARD ORDER for Civil Cases. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 2, 2021. (lcldf2) (Entered: 09/02/2021)
09/14/2021	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/13/2021. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/13/2021.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 09/13/2021., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION served on 9/10/2021 (Attachments: # <u>1</u>

		Exhibit)(Rothschild, Eric) (Entered: 09/14/2021)
10/13/2021	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Douglas C. Dreier on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (Dreier, Douglas) (Entered: 10/13/2021)
10/13/2021	<u>7</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.(Dreier, Douglas) (Entered: 10/13/2021)
10/13/2021	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Dreier, Douglas) (Entered: 10/13/2021)
10/13/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>8</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before December 15, 2021. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on October 13, 2021. (lcldf2) (Entered: 10/13/2021)
12/14/2021	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Dreier, Douglas) (Entered: 12/14/2021)
12/15/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before January 24, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on December 15, 2021. (lcldf2) (Entered: 12/15/2021)
01/24/2022	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Dreier, Douglas) (Entered: 01/24/2022)
01/24/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before March 2, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 24, 2022. (lcldf2) (Entered: 01/24/2022)
03/02/2022	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Dreier, Douglas) (Entered: 03/02/2022)
03/04/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before April 6, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 4, 2022. (lcldf2) (Entered: 03/04/2022)
04/06/2022	<u>12</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Dreier, Douglas) (Entered: 04/06/2022)
04/06/2022		MINUTE ORDER dismissing this case without prejudice in light of the parties' <u>12</u> Stipulation of Dismissal. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a). The Clerk of Court is directed to close this case. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 6, 2022. (lcldf2) (Entered: 04/06/2022)