

**U.S. District Court**  
**District of Columbia (Washington, DC)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:20-cv-03762-CRC**

CITIZENS UNITED v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE Date Filed: 12/21/2020  
Assigned to: Judge Christopher R. Cooper Date Terminated: 04/25/2022  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
12/21/2020	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE ( Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-7983201) filed by CITIZENS UNITED. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A, # <u>3</u> Exhibit B, # <u>4</u> Summons to the Attorney General, # <u>5</u> Summons to the State Dep't, # <u>6</u> Summons to the US Attorney)(Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 12/21/2020)
12/21/2020		Case Assigned to Judge Christopher R. Cooper. (adh, ) (Entered: 12/21/2020)
12/21/2020	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(adh, ) (Entered: 12/21/2020)
12/21/2020	<u>3</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CITIZENS UNITED (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 12/21/2020)

02/22/2021	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Tanya D. Senanayake on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Senanayake, Tanya) (Entered: 02/22/2021)
02/22/2021	<u>5</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Exhibit 1, # <u>2</u> Exhibit Exhibit 2)(Senanayake, Tanya) (Entered: 02/22/2021)
02/23/2021		MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall promptly confer and file a joint proposed schedule for briefing or disclosure by March 9, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 2/23/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 02/23/2021)
02/24/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 3/9/2021 (lsj) (Entered: 02/24/2021)
03/09/2021	<u>6</u>	PROPOSED BRIEFING SCHEDULE ( <i>Jointly Filed by Parties</i> ) by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Senanayake, Tanya) (Entered: 03/09/2021)
03/12/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>6</u> Proposed Briefing Schedule, the parties are hereby ORDERED to file a joint status report by May 17, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 3/12/2021. (lccrc1) Modified on 3/23/2021 (lsj). (Entered: 03/12/2021)
03/25/2021	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Alexander V. Sverdlov on behalf of All Defendants (Sverdlov, Alexander) (Entered: 03/25/2021)
03/25/2021	<u>8</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. Attorney Tanya D. Senanayake terminated. (Senanayake, Tanya) (Entered: 03/25/2021)
05/17/2021	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Sverdlov, Alexander) (Entered: 05/17/2021)
05/24/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are hereby ORDERED to file a further joint status report by June 18, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 5/24/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 05/24/2021)
06/21/2021	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 06/21/2021)
06/24/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are hereby ORDERED to file a further joint status report by July 21, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 6/24/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 06/24/2021)
07/21/2021	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 07/21/2021)
07/23/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are hereby ORDERED to file a further joint status report by August 19, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 7/23/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 07/23/2021)
08/19/2021	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 08/19/2021)
09/01/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by September 22, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 9/1/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 09/01/2021)
09/22/2021	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 09/22/2021)
09/24/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before October 22, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 9/24/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 09/24/2021)
09/24/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/22/2021. (zbn) (Entered: 09/24/2021)
10/25/2021	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 10/25/2021)

10/27/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before November 22, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/27/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 10/27/2021)
11/22/2021	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 11/22/2021)
11/22/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before December 22, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/22/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 11/22/2021)
12/22/2021	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 12/22/2021)
12/23/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before January 24, 2022. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 12/23/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 12/23/2021)
01/24/2022	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 01/24/2022)
01/25/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before February 24, 2022. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 1/24/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 01/25/2022)
02/24/2022	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 02/24/2022)
02/25/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>18</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before March 24, 2022. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 2/24/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 02/25/2022)
03/24/2022	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 03/24/2022)
03/28/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>19</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before April 24, 2022. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 3/28/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 03/28/2022)
04/22/2022	<u>20</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 04/22/2022)
04/25/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>20</u> Stipulation of Dismissal, it is hereby ordered that this case is DISMISSED. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 4/25/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 04/25/2022)