

EXHIBIT 15

**Email from Timothy A. Lyon, FOIA Manager, Dep't of Air Force, to Kendra Norwood, of
Blank Rome LLP (May 1, 2015)**

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Sent: Friday, May 1, 2015 5:12 PM
To: Norwood, Kendra P.
Cc: Krachman, Albert B.; BETHEA, RAND GS-11 USAF ACC ACC A6/A6XP
Subject: RE: FOIA Appeal 2015-00040-A

Ms. Norwood,
 Sorry for the delay with this case. We are sending all of the documents back to the responsible office to ensure that all documents have been reviewed for the appeal.
 We sent them with the initial appeal, but we need further clarification. Please allow an additional time, for processing your appeal request.

V/R,

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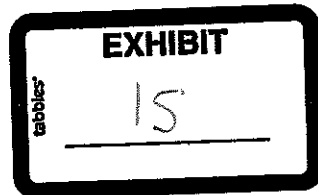
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From: Norwood, Kendra P. [mailto:knorwood@blankrome.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 10:32 AM
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Subject: RE: FOIA Appeal 2015-00040-A

Mr. Bethea,



Per my e-mail below, it has been more than a week since you advised that you would be developing a written interim response on FOIA Appeal 2015-00040-A, which would be sent to Blank Rome prior to Langley's forwarding of the appeal to AFLOAA for additional review.

Can you please provide a status?

Regards,

Kendra P. Norwood

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Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 9:02 PM
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Cc: Krachman, Albert B.
Subject: FOIA Appeal 2015-00040-A

Mr. Bethea,

This is a follow-up e-mail to confirm our discussions on the subject FOIA Appeal during our phone calls earlier today.

I initially called you to obtain the status of the Appeal, and to inform you that despite numerous attempts, I had been unable to reach the assigned FOIA Officer, Mr. Timothy Lyon. I advised you that I have not received any status updates from him, other than his initial acknowledgement of receipt of the Appeal, which was sent more than two months ago, on February 10, 2015. You indicated that you would check-in with Mr. Lyon and get back to me.

You later called me back to inform me that you were able to contact Mr. Lyon, to obtain a status on the Appeal.

You explained that according to Mr. Lyon, the office of primary responsibility (OPR) as well as the Legal office at Langley have both decided to stand behind their original denial determinations for the records at issue in the Appeal.

You further explained that the Appeal will now be forwarded to the Air Force's Legal Operations Appellate Authority (AFLOAA) for a higher-level review, and that AFLOAA will make the final agency determination on the Appeal.

Lastly, you indicated that you expect to receive the Appeal file later this week, and upon receipt, you will be working to develop a written Interim response, which will be sent to Blank Rome prior to Langley's forwarding of the appeal to AFLOAA for additional review.

Regards,

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