U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:20-cv-02031-ABJ

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH et al v. DEPARTMENT OF THE

TREASURY

Assigned to: Judge Amy Berman Jackson Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 07/24/2020 Date Terminated: 09/12/2022

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
07/24/2020	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number ADCDC-7382053) filed by FRIENDS OF THE EARTH, Lukas Ross. (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet, # 2 Summons, # 3 Summons, # 4 Summons)(Lawton, William) (Entered: 07/24/2020)
07/24/2020		Case Assigned to Judge Amy Berman Jackson. (zsb) (Entered: 07/24/2020)
07/27/2020	2	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # 1 Notice and Consent)(adh,) (Entered: 07/27/2020)
07/30/2020	<u>3</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kathleene A. Molen on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY (Molen, Kathleene) (Entered: 07/30/2020)
08/28/2020	<u>4</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.(Molen, Kathleene) (Entered: 08/28/2020)
09/01/2020	<u>5</u>	ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of Local Civil Rule 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure appear to be inapplicable. Defendant shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiffs, on or before October 1, 2020. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 9/1/2020. (lcabj2) (Entered: 09/01/2020)
10/01/2020	<u>6</u>	STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Molen, Kathleene) (Entered: 10/01/2020)
10/06/2020		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must file an updated status report on October 30, 2020. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 10/6/2020. (lcabj1) (Entered: 10/06/2020)
10/30/2020	7	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Molen, Kathleene) (Entered: 10/30/2020)
11/02/2020		MINUTE ORDER. Based on the status report, the agency must review at least 500 pages per month and make monthly rolling productions beginning on November 30, 2020. The next status report must be filed by December 7, 2020, and that in that report, defendant must indicate, as is common practice in FOIA status reports, the number of responsive records that were identified through the use of the list of keywords provided by the plaintiff. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/2/2020. (lcabj1) (Entered: 11/02/2020)
12/07/2020	8	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Molen, Kathleene) (Entered: 12/07/2020)
12/08/2020		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must file a joint status report by February 5, 2021. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 12/8/2020. (lcabj1) (Entered:

		12/08/2020)
01/05/2021	9	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Thomas Duffey on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY Substituting for attorney Kathleene A. Molen (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 01/05/2021)
02/05/2021	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 02/05/2021)
02/08/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit a joint status report by March 8, 2021. S ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 2/8/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 02/08/2021)
03/08/2021	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 03/08/2021)
03/08/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit a joint status report by April 8, 2021. SC ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 3/8/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 03/08/2021)
04/08/2021	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 04/08/2021)
04/08/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit a joint status report by May 10, 2021. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 4/8/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 04/08/2021)
05/10/2021	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 05/10/2021)
05/11/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit a joint status report by June 11, 2021. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 5/11/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 05/11/2021)
06/11/2021	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FRIENDS OF THE EARTH, LUKAS ROSS. (Lawton, William) (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/14/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit a joint status report by July 12, 2021. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 6/14/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 06/14/2021)
07/12/2021	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FRIENDS OF THE EARTH, LUKAS ROSS. (Lawton, William) (Entered: 07/12/2021)
07/13/2021		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>15</u> joint status report, it is ORDERED that the parties must submit another joint status report by August 12, 2021. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 7/13/21. (lcabj2) (Entered: 07/13/2021)
08/12/2021	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FRIENDS OF THE EARTH, LUKAS ROSS. (Lawton, William) (Entered: 08/12/2021)
08/12/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit a joint status report by September 13, 2021. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 8/12/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 08/12/2021)
09/13/2021	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 09/13/2021)
09/14/2021		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the recently submitted joint status report <u>17</u> , it is ORDERED that the parties submit another joint status report by November 12, 2021 Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 9/14/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 09/14/2021)
11/12/2021	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 11/12/2021)
11/15/2021		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the status report <u>18</u> , it is ORDERED that the parties submit another joint status report by December 13, 2021. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/15/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 11/15/2021)

12/13/2021	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 12/13/2021)
12/13/2021		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the status report <u>19</u> , the parties must submit another joint status report by January 31, 2022. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 12/13/2021. (lcabj1) (Entered: 12/13/2021)
01/31/2022	<u>20</u>	STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 01/31/2022)
02/01/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Pursuant to the most recent status report <u>20</u> , it is ORDERED that the parties submit another joint status report by March 2, 2022. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 2/1/2022. (lcabj1) (Entered: 02/01/2022)
03/02/2022	<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 03/02/2022)
03/02/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Pursuant to the most recent status report <u>21</u> , it is ORDERED that the parties submit another joint status report by May 2, 2022. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 3/2/2022. (lcabj1) (Entered: 03/02/2022)
05/02/2022	<u>22</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 05/02/2022)
05/03/2022		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the status report <u>22</u> , it is ORDERED that the parties submit another joint status report by June 2, 2022. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 5/3/2022. (lcabj1) (Entered: 05/03/2022)
05/17/2022	<u>23</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Ryan Arnold on behalf of FRIENDS OF THE EARTH, LUKAS ROSS (Arnold, Matthew) (Main Document 23 replaced on 5/17/2022) (zjf). (Entered: 05/17/2022)
05/17/2022	<u>24</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to FRIENDS OF THE EARTH, LUKAS ROSS. Attorney William N. Lawton terminated. (Lawton, William) (Entered: 05/17/2022)
05/17/2022	<u>25</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by William Stewart Eubanks, II on behalf of FRIENDS OF THE EARTH (Eubanks, William) (Entered: 05/17/2022)
06/02/2022	<u>26</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FRIENDS OF THE EARTH, LUKAS ROSS. (Arnold, Matthew) (Entered: 06/02/2022)
06/13/2022		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the status report <u>26</u> , it is ORDERED that the parties submit another joint status report by July 11, 2022. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 6/13/2022. (lcabj1) (Entered: 06/13/2022)
07/11/2022	<u>27</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 07/11/2022)
07/12/2022		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the most recent status report <u>27</u> , it is ORDERED that the parties submit another joint status report by August 11, 2022, if the case has not been dismissed by that point. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 7/12/2022. (lcabj1) (Entered: 07/12/2022)
08/11/2022	<u>28</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 08/11/2022)
08/12/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must file a joint status report by September 13, 2022 if the case has not been dismissed by that point. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 8/12/2022. (lcabj1) (Entered: 08/12/2022)
09/12/2022	<u>29</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 09/12/2022)