# U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:20-cv-03664-DLF

AMBERGER v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Assigned to: Judge Dabney L. Friedrich Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 12/14/2020 Date Terminated: 07/22/2022

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
12/14/2020	1	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-7956010) filed by JOHANN MAXIMILIAN AMBERGER. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A, # 2 Exhibit B, # 3 Exhibit C, # 4 Civil Cover Sheet, # 5 Summons)(Burday, Joshua) (Entered: 12/14/2020)
12/14/2020	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Joshua Hart Burday on behalf of JOHANN MAXIMILIAN AMBERGER (Burday, Joshua) (Entered: 12/14/2020)
12/14/2020	<u>3</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Topic on behalf of JOHANN MAXIMILIAN AMBERGER (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 12/14/2020)
12/15/2020		Case Assigned to Judge Dabney L. Friedrich. (zmd) (Entered: 12/15/2020)
12/15/2020	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # 1 Notice and Consent)(adh, ) (Entered: 12/15/2020)
02/10/2021	<u>5</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Field, Brian) (Entered: 02/10/2021)
02/10/2021		MINUTE ORDER requiring the parties to meet and confer and file a joint status report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. The status report should address the status of the plaintiff's FOIA request, including the anticipated number of documents responsive to the request and the anticipated date(s) for release of the requested documents. The parties shall file the joint status report on or before February 24, 2021. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on February 10, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 02/10/2021)
02/10/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 2/24/2021 (zjch) (Entered: 02/11/2021)
02/15/2021	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 1/12/2021 (Burday, Joshua) (Entered: 02/15/2021)
02/15/2021	7	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 1/11/2021. (Burday, Joshua) (Entered: 02/15/2021)
02/15/2021	<u>8</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 1/11/2021. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 2/10/2021. (Burday, Joshua) (Entered: 02/15/2021)
02/24/2021	9	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Field, Brian) (Entered: 02/24/2021)
02/24/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall, on or before March 31, 2021, file another joint status report updating the Court on the status of the plaintiff's FOIA request and proposing a schedule for further proceedings. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on February 24, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 02/24/2021)
02/24/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 3/31/2021 (zjch) (Entered: 02/24/2021)
03/31/2021	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Field, Brian) (Entered: 03/31/2021)
03/31/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are ORDERED to file another joint status report on or before April 30, 2021. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 31, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered:

		03/31/2021)
03/31/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 4/30/2021 (zjch) (Entered: 03/31/2021)
04/30/2021	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Field, Brian) (Entered: 04/30/2021)
04/30/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before May 31, 2021. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 30, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 04/30/2021)
04/30/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 5/31/2021 (zjch) (Entered: 05/03/2021)
05/28/2021	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Field, Brian) (Entered: 05/28/2021)
05/28/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before June 30, 2021. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 28, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 05/28/2021)
05/28/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 6/30/2021 (zjch) (Entered: 05/28/2021)
06/01/2021	<u>13</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Stephanie R. Johnson on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney Brian J. Field (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 06/01/2021)
06/30/2021	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 06/30/2021)
06/30/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before August 30, 2021. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on June 30, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 06/30/2021)
06/30/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 8/30/2021 (zjch) (Entered: 07/01/2021)
08/30/2021	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 08/30/2021)
08/30/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before October 30, 2021. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on August 30, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 08/30/2021)
08/30/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 10/30/2021 (zjch) (Entered: 08/31/2021)
10/29/2021	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 10/29/2021)
10/29/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before December 28, 2021. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on October 29, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 10/29/2021)
12/23/2021	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 12/23/2021)
12/23/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before February 28, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on December 23, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 12/23/2021)
01/21/2022	<u>18</u>	MOTION to Withdraw as Attorney by JOHANN MAXIMILIAN AMBERGER. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 01/21/2022)
01/21/2022		MINUTE ORDER granting plaintiff's <u>18</u> Motion to Withdraw as Attorney. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 21, 2022. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 01/21/2022)
02/28/2022	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 02/28/2022)

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03/03/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>19</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before April 29, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 3, 2022. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 03/03/2022)
04/29/2022	<u>20</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Joshua Loevy on behalf of JOHANN MAXIMILIAN AMBERGER (Loevy, Joshua) (Entered: 04/29/2022)
04/29/2022	<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 04/29/2022)
04/29/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>21</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before May 31, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 29, 2022. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 04/29/2022)
05/31/2022	<u>22</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 05/31/2022)
05/31/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>22</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before July 15, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 31, 2022. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 05/31/2022)
07/15/2022	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 07/15/2022)
07/18/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>23</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before August 11, 2022, if a notice of voluntary dismissal is not filed before then. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 18, 2022. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 07/18/2022)
07/22/2022	<u>24</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by JOHANN MAXIMILIAN AMBERGER. (Loevy, Joshua) (Entered: 07/22/2022)
07/22/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>24</u> Joint Stipulation of Dismissal, it is hereby ORDERED that the case is DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE. <i>See</i> Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(A)(ii). The Clerk of Court is directed to close this case. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 22, 2022. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 07/22/2022)