



AFL FOIA <foia@aflegal.org>

RE: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Re: Status Request: EMRUFOIA072021

FOIPAQUESTIONS@FBI.GOV <FOIPAQUESTIONS@fbi.gov>
To: AFL FOIA <foia@aflegal.org>

Tue, Sep 20, 2022 at 7:42 AM

Good morning,

Thank you for contacting foipaquestions@fbi.gov. Your request was opened in August 2021.

Respectfully,

Public Information Officer

FBI - Information Management Division

200 Constitution Drive

Winchester, VA 22602

O: (540) 868-4593

E: foipaquestions@fbi.gov

Do you have further questions about the FOI/PA process? Visit us at <http://www.fbi.gov/foia>

Please check the status of your request online at <https://vault.fbi.gov/fdps-1/@@search-fdps> Status updates are performed on a weekly basis.

Note: This is a non-emergency email address. If this is an emergency, please call 911 directly. If you need to report a tip for immediate action, please contact FBI Tips at <http://tips.fbi.gov/> or reach out to your local field office.

From: AFL FOIA <foia@aflegal.org>
Sent: Monday, September 19, 2022 10:22 PM
To: FOIPAQUESTIONS <FOIPAQUESTIONS@FBI.GOV>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Re: Status Request: EMRUFOIA072021

Thank you for your response. In your response, you stated that "the estimated date on which the FBI will complete action on your request is 2,011 days from the date the FBI opened your request." What was the date on which the FBI opened the initial request?

On Mon, Sep 19, 2022 at 2:20 PM FOIPAQUESTIONS@FBI.GOV <FOIPAQUESTIONS@fbi.gov> wrote:

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the status of your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy (FOIPA) request, FOIA 1501757-000. A review of your request has determined the following:

The request is presently in Initial Processing, where the assigned analyst is searching for, retrieving and reviewing potentially responsive records.

Requests are processed in the order in which they are received through our multi-track processing system. Requests are divided into two primary tracks-- simple (under 50 pages of potentially responsive documents) and complex (over 50 pages of potentially responsive documents). Complex requests are further divided into medium, large, and extra-large sub-tracks based upon request size. Simple track requests typically require the least amount of time to process. Currently, simple track cases average approximately 98 days from the date of receipt for processing. Our complex requests in the medium processing track are currently averaging 947 days, large processing track are currently averaging approximately 2,011 days, and extra-large processing track are currently averaging 2,360 days for processing.

The search for responsive records is ongoing for your request, so we do not yet know into which track it will fall. The estimated date of completion is therefore based on the average processing time of complex requests in the large processing track. Accordingly, the estimated date on which the FBI will complete action on your request is 2,011 days from the date the FBI opened your request. Once the search has been completed, you may request an updated estimated date of completion.

Additional information regarding the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy is available at <http://www.fbi.gov/> or <http://www.fbi.gov/foia/>. If you require additional assistance please contact foipaquestions@fbi.gov.

Please check the status of your request online at <http://vault.fbi.gov> by clicking on the "Check Status of Your FOI/PA Request" link. Status updates are performed on a weekly basis. If your request does not yet appear in the system, please check back later in the week.

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From: AFL FOIA <foia@aflegal.org>

Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 11:07 AM

To: FOIPAQUESTIONS <FOIPAQUESTIONS@FBI.GOV>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Re: Status Request: EMRUFOIA072021

I believe it was referred to the FBI by DOJ's MRU, according to the attached letter.

On Fri, Sep 16, 2022 at 11:03 AM FOIPAQUESTIONS@FBI.GOV <FOIPAQUESTIONS@fbi.gov> wrote:

Thank you for contacting foipaquestions@fbi.gov. In order to better assist with your inquiry, when did you submit your request and what method did you utilize? If you submitted via the online site, what email address was used to submit your request?

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From: AFL FOIA <foia@aflegal.org>

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Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Re: Status Request: EMRUFOIA072021

Good morning,

Would you please provide us with an update on the status of EMRUFOIA072021, as well as the FBI's FOIPA Number?

Thank you,

Michael Ding

America First Legal Foundation

On Thu, Mar 10, 2022 at 2:03 PM AFL FOIA <foia@aflegal.org> wrote:

Good afternoon,

The attached response from DOJ indicates that our attached FOIA request was referred to the FBI. However, we are unable to locate an acknowledgement letter from the FBI, in which a FOIPA Number would have been provided.

Please advise on the status of this request.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter,

America First Legal Foundation