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FOIA-2022-01709

Requester: Leopold, Jason

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Request

Request Information

Request Type	Request	Agency	OIP
Request Date	08/10/2022	Document Delivery Method	Email

Requester Information

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Other Information			

Description of Request

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DOJ should not fail to meet the requirements of Section 552(a)(8) when processing my request and release responsive records to me in full or at least in part.

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Expedited Processing Information

Expedited Processing Requested?	Yes	Expedited Justification	
Expedited Processing Request Date	08/10/2022		
Standards for Expedition	2. An urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged Federal Government activity, if made by a person who is primarily engaged in disseminating information. 4. A matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity that affect public confidence.		Recently, news research warrant documents that President Donald noted, this was an president. For the surrounding the re president in viola i escalated to the pr records is a matte they communicate throughout the year the public about an events.

Fee Information

Will Pay Up To	\$25
Fee Category	Representative of the news media
Fee Waiver Requested?	Yes

Fee Waiver Justification

am the senior investigative reporter at the Los Angeles Times. Additionally, my work has been featured in the Los Angeles Times, The New York Times, The Washington Post, and other major news outlets.

I request a complete waiver of the news media fee for this request.

Under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(7)(D), a fee may be charged if disclosure is likely to result in the operations or financial interests of any person or organization being unduly burdened by the activities of the government. I am not a member of the news media and therefore do not meet the statutory criteria for a fee. I request a complete waiver of the news media fee for this request so that I can analyze and freely disseminate the information.

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August 10, 2022

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Recently, news reports were published that said the FBI obtained a search warrant and conducted a search of Mar a Lago and removed documents that were said to be presidential records that former President Donald Trump illegally stored there. As the news reports noted, this was an unprecedented move taken against a former president. For the past year, there has been much discussion surrounding the removal of Trump presidential records by the former president in violation of the Presidential Records Act. That this allegedly escalated to the point where the FBI has now seized boxes of those records is a matter of widespread public interest. Lawmakers have said they communicated their concerns to the Department of Justice throughout the year. The records I seek are urgently needed to inform the public about actually government activity revolving around these events.

FEE WAIVER

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I request a complete waiver of all search and duplication fees. If my request for a waiver is denied, I request that I be considered a member of the news media for fee purposes.

Under 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(A)(iii), "Documents shall be furnished without any charge ... if disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester." Disclosure in this case meets the statutory criteria, as the records sought to detail the operations and activities of the government. This request is also not primarily in my commercial request, as I am seeking the records as a journalist to analyze and freely release to members of the public.

If I am not granted a complete fee waiver, I request to be considered a member of the news media for fee purposes. I am willing to pay all reasonable duplication expenses incurred in processing this FOIA request.

I will appeal any denial of my request for a waiver administratively and to the courts if necessary.



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August 22, 2022

Jason Leopold
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Re: FOIA-2020-01709
DRH:MSH

Dear Jason Leopold:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated and received in this Office on August 10, 2022, in which you requested communications between the Office of the Attorney General, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, and Office of Legislative Affairs and Congress mentioning various terms related to the removal of presidential records from the White House by former President Donald Trump since January 1, 2022.

You have requested expedited processing of your request pursuant to the Department's standard involving "[a] matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence." See 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(e)(1)(iv) (2018). Pursuant to Department policy, we directed your request to the Director of Public Affairs, who makes the decision whether to grant or deny expedited processing under this standard. See *id.* § 16.5(e)(2). The Director has determined that your request for expedited processing should be granted. Accordingly, your request has been assigned to an analyst in this Office and our processing of it has been initiated.

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assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request at: Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001; telephone at 202-514-3642, or by e-mail at: doj.oip.foia@usdoj.gov.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request for expedited processing, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: <https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically submitted within ninety days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Douglas R. Hibbard", with a small "RH" monogram at the end.

Douglas R. Hibbard
Chief, Initial Request Staff

August 17, 2022

FILED VIA DOJ FOIA Portal

The Attorney General Public Affairs

The Deputy Attorney General Legal Policy

The Associate Attorney General

Information Policy

Legislative Affairs

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"He had a standing order that documents removed from the Oval Office and taken into the residence were deemed to be declassified," the statement added. "The power to classify and declassify documents rests solely with the President of the United States. The idea that some paper-pushing bureaucrat, with classification authority delegated BY THE PRESIDENT, needs to approve of declassification is absurd." <https://justthenews.com/politics-policy/all-things-trump/breaking-trump-describes-process-how-he-declassified-documents>

The context for this statement is that the presidential records retrieved from Mar-A-Lago by FBI this week was already declassified. As the custodian of former President Trump's presidential records, NARA would be aware of this "standing order" and would also have a copy of this record.

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/s/ _____ JL _____ Jason Leopold

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INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SEARCH

1. Instructions Regarding "Leads":

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may be located in another system. Failure to follow clear leads is a violation of FOIA.

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Please search for any records even if they are already publicly available.

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9. Regarding Destroyed Records

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INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SCOPE AND BREADTH OF REQUESTS

Please interpret the scope of this request broadly. The DOJ is instructed to interpret the scope of this request in the most liberal manner possible short of an interpretation that would lead to a conclusion that the request does not reasonably describe the records sought.



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August 30, 2022

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Re: FOIA-2022-01765
DRH:GMG

Dear Jason Leopold:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated and received in this Office on August 17, 2022, in which you requested a copy of the "standing order" of former President Donald Trump automatically declassifying any classified material removed by him from the Oval Office.

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DOJ NSD standing order MAL

From: **Jason Leopold** <jasonleopold@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Aug 19, 2022 at 2:42 PM
Subject: Request for records under the Freedom of Information Act
To: Mallory, Arnetta (NSD) <Arnetta.Mallory@usdoj.gov>, NSDFOIA (NSD) <NSDFOIA@usdoj.gov>

This is a request for records under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552 and the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. This request should be considered under both statutes to maximize the release of records. This request seeks expedited processing.

REQUESTER INFORMATION

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Position: Investigative Reporter

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September 1, 2022

Re: FOIA/PA #22-332

Dear Mr. Leopold:

This is to acknowledge your email dated August 19, 2022, for information pertaining to A copy of the "standing order" that former President Trump had while he was still president that authorized him to take sensitive or classified records from the Oval Office to his residence. Our FOIA office received your Freedom of Information Act request on August 19, 2022.

Our policy is to process FOIA requests on a first-in, first-out basis. Any searches conducted in response to your request will be limited to the records of the National Security Division. Consistent with this policy, every effort will be made to respond to your request as quickly as possible. The actual processing time will depend upon the complexity of the request, whether it involves sensitive or voluminous records, and whether consultations with other agencies or agency components are appropriate.

You may contact our Government Information Specialist, Kevin Tiernan, for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request at:

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Records and FOIA Unit
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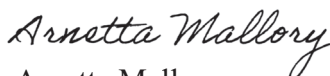
You also requested expedited processing of your request. You requested expedited treatment pursuant to the fourth standard enumerated in the Department of Justice's regulations. Expedited treatment pursuant to the first standard will be granted where not doing so "could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual." 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(E)(v)(I). See also 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(e)(1)(i) (2019). Under the second standard, you must show that there is "[a]n urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged Federal Government activity, if made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information." 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(E)(v)(II). See also 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(e)(1)(ii) (2019). Under the third standard, you must show that the request involves "[t]he loss of substantial due process rights." 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(e)(1)(iii) (2019). Under the fourth standard, you must show that the subject matter of your request is a "matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence." Id. at § 16.5(e)(1)(iv). This Office makes determinations regarding the first three standards, while the Department's Director of Public Affairs makes determinations regarding the fourth standard. See id. at § 16.5(e)(2).

The fourth standard requires you must show that the subject matter of your request is a "matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence." Id. at § 16.5(e)(1)(iv).

Based on the information you have provided it has determined that you have satisfied the requirement under the fourth standard and thereby your request for expedited processing has been granted.

Please be advised that, your request has been assigned to a Government Information Specialist on the DOJ's National Security Division Records and FOIA staff and a further update regarding your request will be provided to you as soon as practicable.

Sincerely,



Arnetta Mallory
Government Information Specialist

From: Jason Leopold <jasonleopold@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2022 4:26 PM
To: USDOJ-Office of Legal Counsel (SMO) <Ex_OLC@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Request for records under the Freedom of Information Act

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OLC should not fail to meet the requirements of Section 552(a)(8) when processing my request and release responsive records to me in full or at least in part.

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U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Legal Counsel

Washington, D.C. 20530

September 8, 2022

Jason Leopold
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Re: FOIA Tracking No. FY22-122

Dear Mr. Leopold:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your August 23, 2022 Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) request to the Office of Legal Counsel (“OLC”), in which you sought “Legal guidance and legal opinions OLC provided to the National Archives, it’s (now) former Director David Ferriero, Acting Director Debra Wall, and NARA counsel Gary Stern, relating or referring to the Presidential Records Act, Executive Privilege, records removed from the Trump White House and stored at Mar-a-Lago that were recovered by NARA after former President Donald Trump left office.” We received your request on August 23, 2022, and it has been assigned tracking number **FY22-122**.

Your request for expedited processing has been granted and your request has been assigned to the “expedited” processing track. Because of the considerable number of FOIA requests received by OLC prior to your request, including other previously expedited requests, we likely will be unable to comply with the twenty-day statutory deadline for responding to your request. I regret the necessity of this delay, but I assure you that your request will be processed as soon as practicable.

We have not yet made a decision on your request for a fee waiver. We will do so after we determine whether fees will be assessed for this request. We note that in the event your fee waiver is denied, you have agreed to “pay all reasonable duplication expenses.”

In the meantime, if you have any questions or wish to discuss your request, you may contact Melissa Golden, OLC’s FOIA Public Liaison, at usdoj-officeoflegalcounsel@usdoj.gov, (202) 514-2053, or at Office of Legal Counsel, United States Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Room 5517, Washington, DC 20530.

Sincerely,

Jared Kaprove
FOIA and Records Management Attorney

Exhibit 8

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **DNI-FOIA** <DNI-FOIA@dni.gov>

Date: Mon, Aug 22, 2022 at 12:39 PM

Subject: RE: RESUBMITTING Request for records under the Freedom of Information Act

To: jasonleopold@gmail.com <jasonleopold@gmail.com>

Cc: DNI-FOIA <DNI-FOIA@dni.gov>

Good afternoon, Mr. Leopold,

We will make note of the updated language to your request.

Thank you,

DNI-FOIA

From: Jason Leopold <jasonleopold@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, August 19, 2022 10:22 PM

To: DNI-FOIA <DNI-FOIA@dni.gov>

Subject: RESUBMITTING Request for records under the Freedom of Information Act

**please note: I am resubmitting this request to change the word RECEIVED to HAD.

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REQUESTER INFORMATION

Name: Jason Leopold

Position: Investigative Reporter

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Email: jasonleopold@gmail.com

I request disclosure from the Officer of the Director of National Intelligence the following records:

Exhibit 9

1. A copy of the "standing order" that former President Trump had while he was still president that authorized him to take sensitive or classified records from the Oval Office to his residence. To be clear, once these sensitive or classified records were removed from the Oval Office the records were deemed to be declassified.

In a statement issued to the website Just The News on Friday, August 12, the Office of Donald Trump said:

"He had a standing order that documents removed from the Oval Office and taken into the residence were deemed to be declassified," the statement added. "The power to classify and declassify documents rests solely with the President of the United States. The idea that some paper-pushing bureaucrat, with classification authority delegated BY THE PRESIDENT, needs to approve of declassification is absurd." <https://justthenews.com/politics-policy/all-things-trump/breaking-trump-describes-process-how-he-declassified-documents>

The context for this statement is that the presidential records retrieved from Mar-A-Lago by FBI this week was already declassified. As the custodian of former President Trump's presidential records, NARA would be aware of this "standing order" and would also have a copy of this record.

EXPEDITED PROCESSING

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DNI should not fail to comply with this mandatory part of the FOIA as recently amended by Congress. The Agency is required to identify what reasonably foreseeable harm would flow from release of the information withheld, nor did it consider a partial disclosure of the information, taking reasonable steps to segregate and release nonexempt information.

INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SEARCH

1. Instructions Regarding "Leads":

As required by the relevant case law, the DNI should follow any leads it discovers during the conduct of its searches and perform additional searches when said leads indicate that records may be located in another system. Failure to follow clear leads is a violation of FOIA.

2. Request for Public Records:

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I request that the DNI search all of its offices and components, which are likely to contain responsive records.

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9. Regarding Destroyed Records

If any records responsive or potentially responsive to my request have been destroyed, my request includes, but is not limited to, any and all records relating or referring to the destruction of those records. This includes, but is not limited to, any and all records relating or referring to the events leading to the destruction of those records.

INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SCOPE AND BREADTH OF REQUESTS

Please interpret the scope of this request broadly. The DNI is instructed to interpret the scope of this request in the most liberal manner possible short of an interpretation that would lead to a conclusion that the request does not reasonably describe the records sought.

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC

August 19, 2022

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Mr. Leopold:

This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated 15 August 2022 and received by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) on 16 August 2022, in which you requested: "*A copy of the "standing order" that former President Trump received while he was still president that authorized him to take sensitive or classified records from the Oval Office to his residence.*"

Your request has been assigned ODNI tracking number DF-2022-00378 and your requests for a fee waiver and expedited processing have been granted. We have initiated searches for the records you requested and are awaiting response.

To assist you with any aspect of your request you may contact the FOIA Public Liaison at dni-foia-liaison@dni.gov. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) of the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the mediation services they provide. OGIS can be reached at 8601 Adelphi Road, Room 2510, College Park, MD 20740-6001; telephone (202) 741-5770 or Toll-free (877) 684-6448; facsimile (202) 741-5769; or email at ogis@nara.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact our Requester Service Center at dni-foia@dni.gov or (703) 275-1313.

Sincerely,



Greg Koch
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From: **NARA General Counsel FOIA Office** <foia@nara.gov>

Date: Fri, Aug 26, 2022 at 9:44 AM

Subject: Re: Request for records under the Freedom of Information Act

To: <jasonleopold@gmail.com>

Cc: FOIA <FOIA@nara.gov>

Sent via Email <jasonleopold@gmail.com>

August 26, 2022

BuzzFeed News

Jason Leopold

Senior Investigative Reporter

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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request NGC22-807

Dear Mr. Leopold:

Your FOIA request, dated August 23, 2022, was received by the National Archives and Records Administration's Office of General Counsel on the same day via our foia@nara.gov inbox. We assigned your request tracking number **NGC22-807**. Please provide this number in any future correspondence about your case.

Sincerely,

Ashley A. Bryan

Government Information Specialist

Office of General Counsel (NGC)

National Archives and Records Administration

8601 Adelphi Road

Exhibit 12

College Park, Maryland, 20740-6001
301-837-3642

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In a letter dated May 10 and publicly released by NARA and currently posted on the agency's website, acting Archivist Debra Wall wrote to Evan Corcoran, one of Donald Trump's attorneys, and cited the four letters I am now requesting.

That letter can be found here: <https://www.archives.gov/files/foia/wall-letter-to-evan-corcoran-re-trump-boxes-05.10.2022.pdf>

EXPEDITED PROCESSING

The circumstances surrounding the FBI search of the former president's Mar-A-Lago residence is unprecedented in our nation's modern history. The unsealing of the search warrant and property records receipt documenting what the FBI removed makes it clear and states explicitly that some of the records were classified top secret/sensitive compartmented information. Now, Archivist Debra Wall's letter goes even further, characterizing the records NARA retrieved as including "classified national security information, up to the level of Top Secret and including Sensitive Compartmented Information and Special Access Program materials." The unsealing, as well as Ms. Wall's letter, also makes clear that federal prosecutors are exploring possible violations of the federal Espionage Act among other allegations. These historic disclosures have dominated the news. There is a clear overwhelming public interest in this matter and now with the disclosure that OLC had provided legal guidance to NARA it is crucial that if any standing order exists that it be released as soon as possible so I can inform the public about what that legal guidance said and how it informed NARA's decisions.

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(II) disclosure is prohibited by law; and

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(II) take reasonable steps necessary to segregate and release nonexempt information. . . .

OLC should not fail to meet the requirements of Section 552(a)(8) when processing my request and release responsive records to me in full or at least in part.

INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SEARCH

1. Request for Public Records:

Please search for any records even if they are already publicly available.

2. Request for Electronic and Paper/Manual Searches:

I request that searches of all electronic and paper/manual indices, filing systems, and locations for any and all records relating or referring to the subject of my request be conducted. I further request that the agencies conduct a search of its "soft files" as well as files in its locked cabinets.

3. Request regarding Photographs and other Visual Materials:

I request that any photographs or other visual materials responsive to my request be released to me in their original or comparable forms, quality, and resolution. For example, if a photograph was taken digitally, or if the agencies maintains a photograph digitally, I request disclosure of the original digital image file, not a reduced resolution version of that image file nor a printout and scan of that image file. Likewise, if a photograph was originally taken as a color photograph, I request disclosure of that photograph as a color image, not a black and white image. Please contact me for any clarification on this point.

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6. Request for Search of Records Transferred to Other Agencies:

I request that in conducting its search, the agencies disclose releasable records even if they are available publicly through other sources outside the agencies, such as NARA.

FORMAT

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I request a complete waiver of all search and duplication fees. If my request for a waiver is denied, I request that I be considered a member of the news media for fee purposes.

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I will appeal any denial of my request for a waiver administratively and to the courts if necessary.

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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request NGC22-806 and NGC22-807

Dear Mr. Leopold:

This is in response to your request dated August 23, 2022, for expedited processing of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request assigned internal tracking numbers NGC22-806 and NGC22-807. Your request was received by NARA's Office of General Counsel via foia@nara.gov on the same day. It seeks records related to NARA's efforts to retrieve Presidential records stored at former President Donald Trump's residence at Mar-A-Lago.

NARA processes FOIA requests on an expedited basis if it is determined that the request meets one or more of the following criteria described in its FOIA Regulation, at 36 C.F.R. § 1250.28(a):

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- (3) An urgent need to inform the public about an actual or alleged Federal Government activity (this criterion applies only to those requests made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information to the public); or
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After carefully reviewing your request, we have determined that expedition is warranted under 36 C.F.R. § 1250.28(a)(3). Your request has been added to NARA's expedited queue. We will process your request as soon as practicable and will let you know when we have any further updates.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Scanlon

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FOIA & Privacy Act Officer
Office of General Counsel
National Archives and Records Administration

On Mon, Aug 15, 2022 at 5:17 PM Jason Leopold <jasonleopold@gmail.com> wrote:

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REQUESTER INFORMATION

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Position: Investigative Reporter

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I request disclosure from NARA the following records:

1. Copies of all letters and Questions for the Record sent to NARA from members of Congress or Congressional committees mentioning or referring to presidential records, presidential records act, Donald Trump, classified records, Mar-a-Lago, FBI, Department of Justice, Merrick Garland.

2, Responses NARA sent to any of the letters and Questions for the Record.

The timeframe for this request is April 1, 2022 through the date the search for responsive records is conducted.

EXPEDITED PROCESSING

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NARA and its components should not fail to comply with this mandatory part of the FOIA as recently amended by Congress. The Agency is required to identify what reasonably foreseeable harm would flow from release of the information withheld, nor did it consider a partial disclosure of the information, taking reasonable steps to segregate and release nonexempt information.

INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SEARCH (for purposes of this search NARA components" refers to the components within NARA that have been identified as having responsive records)

1. Instructions Regarding "Leads":

As required by the relevant case law, the NARA should follow any leads it discovers during the conduct of its searches and perform additional searches when said leads indicate that records may be located in another system. Failure to follow clear leads is a violation of FOIA.

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Please search for any records even if they are already publicly available.

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9. Regarding Destroyed Records

If any records responsive or potentially responsive to my request have been destroyed, my request includes, but is not limited to, any and all records relating or referring to the destruction of those records. This includes, but is not limited to, any and all records relating or referring to the events leading to the destruction of those records.

INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SCOPE AND BREADTH OF REQUESTS

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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request NGC22-756

Dear Mr. Leopold:

Your FOIA request, dated August 15, 2022, was received by the National Archives and Records Administration's Office of General Counsel on the same day via our foia@nara.gov inbox. We assigned your request tracking number **NGC22-756**. Please provide this number in any future correspondence about your case.

Sincerely,

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301-837-3642

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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request NGC22-756

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Sincerely,

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