

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:20-cv-01538-APM**

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Amit P. Mehta  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 06/11/2020  
Date Terminated: 10/27/2022  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
06/11/2020	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number ADCDC-7220113) filed by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons)(McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 06/11/2020)
06/11/2020	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 06/11/2020)
06/12/2020		Case assigned to Judge Amit P. Mehta. (zmc) (Entered: 06/12/2020)
06/12/2020	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zmc) (Entered: 06/12/2020)
06/12/2020	<u>4</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name- Megan Field, Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number ADCDC-7224130. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 06/12/2020)
06/15/2020		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>4</u> Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Attorney Megan Catherine Field is hereby admitted pro hac vice to appear in this matter. <b>Counsel should register for e-filing via PACER and file a notice of appearance pursuant to LCvR 83.6(a). Click for instructions.</b> Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 6/15/2020. (lcapm1) (Entered: 06/15/2020)
06/17/2020	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Megan Field on behalf of AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (Field, Megan) (Entered: 06/17/2020)
06/24/2020	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 6/22/2020. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 7/22/2020.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 06/22/20., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 6/22/2020 (Field, Megan) (Entered: 06/24/2020)
07/22/2020	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Cormac A. Early on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Early, Cormac) (Main Document 7 replaced on 7/23/2020) (zeg). (Entered: 07/22/2020)
07/22/2020	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Early, Cormac) (Entered: 07/22/2020)
07/22/2020	<u>9</u>	ORDER. Both a Complaint and an Answer are now before the court in this FOIA case. It is hereby ordered that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report on or before August 5, 2020. See the attached Order for additional details. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 7/22/2020. (lcapm1) (Entered: 07/22/2020)

07/22/2020		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 8/5/2020 (zjch) (Entered: 07/23/2020)
08/05/2020	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 08/05/2020)
08/06/2020		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before September 14, 2020, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's search for and processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 8/6/2020. (lcapm1) (Entered: 08/06/2020)
08/06/2020		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 9/14/2020. (zjd) (Entered: 08/06/2020)
09/02/2020	<u>11</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. Attorney Megan Field terminated. (Field, Megan) (Entered: 09/02/2020)
09/14/2020	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 09/14/2020)
09/15/2020		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before October 14, 2020, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's search for and processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 9/15/2020. (lcapm1) (Entered: 09/15/2020)
09/15/2020		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/14/2020. (zjd) (Entered: 09/16/2020)
10/14/2020	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 10/14/2020)
10/15/2020		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before November 16, 2020, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's search for and processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/15/2020. (lcapm1) (Entered: 10/15/2020)
10/15/2020		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/16/2020. (zjd) (Entered: 10/16/2020)
11/16/2020	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 11/16/2020)
11/17/2020		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before December 18, 2020, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's search for and processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 11/17/2020. (lcapm1) (Entered: 11/17/2020)
11/17/2020		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/18/2020. (zjd) (Entered: 11/19/2020)
12/18/2020	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 12/18/2020)
12/21/2020		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before February 25, 2021, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's search for and processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 12/21/2020. (lcapm1) (Entered: 12/21/2020)
12/21/2020		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/25/2021. (zjd) (Entered: 12/23/2020)
02/25/2021	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 02/25/2021)
02/28/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before April 1, 2021, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 2/28/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 02/28/2021)
04/01/2021	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 04/01/2021)

04/01/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before May 5, 2021, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 4/1/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 04/01/2021)
04/28/2021	<u>18</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Katherine Marie Anthony on behalf of AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (Anthony, Katherine) (Entered: 04/28/2021)
04/29/2021	<u>19</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Khahilia Y. Shaw on behalf of AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (Shaw, Khahilia) (Entered: 04/29/2021)
04/29/2021	<u>20</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. Attorney Daniel Alexander McGrath terminated. (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 04/29/2021)
05/05/2021	<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 05/05/2021)
05/06/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before June 15, 2021, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 5/6/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 05/06/2021)
06/15/2021	<u>22</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 06/15/2021)
06/17/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before July 20, 2021, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 6/17/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 06/17/2021)
07/20/2021	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 07/20/2021)
07/21/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before September 2, 2021, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 7/21/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 07/21/2021)
08/30/2021	<u>24</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 08/30/2021)
08/31/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before November 1, 2021, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 8/31/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 08/31/2021)
11/01/2021	<u>25</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 11/01/2021)
11/01/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before December 10, 2021, that updates the court with respect to Defendant's processing of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 11/01/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 11/01/2021)
12/10/2021	<u>26</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 12/10/2021)
12/13/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before February 7, 2022, that updates the court with respect to the status of this matter, and, if appropriate, offers a proposal for a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 12/13/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 12/13/2021)
02/07/2022	<u>27</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 02/07/2022)
02/08/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before March 14, 2022, that updates the court with respect to the status of this matter, and, if appropriate, offers a proposal for a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 2/8/2022. (lcapm1) (Entered: 02/08/2022)

03/14/2022	<u>28</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 03/14/2022)
03/14/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before April 14, 2022, that updates the court with respect to the status of this matter, and, if appropriate, offers a proposal for a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 3/14/2022. (lcapm1) (Entered: 03/14/2022)
04/14/2022	<u>29</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 04/14/2022)
04/18/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before May 16, 2022, that updates the court with respect to the status of this matter, and, if appropriate, offers a proposal for a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 4/18/2022. (lcapm1) (Entered: 04/18/2022)
05/16/2022	<u>30</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 05/16/2022)
05/16/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before July 15, 2022, that updates the court with respect to the status of this matter, and, if appropriate, offers a proposal for a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 5/16/2022. (lcapm1) (Entered: 05/16/2022)
07/15/2022	<u>31</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Early, Cormac) (Entered: 07/15/2022)
07/17/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before September 16, 2022, that updates the court with respect to the status of this matter, and, if appropriate, offers a proposal for a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 7/17/2022. (lcapm1) (Entered: 07/17/2022)
08/12/2022	<u>32</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Jason C. Lynch on behalf of All Defendants (Lynch, Jason) (Entered: 08/12/2022)
09/16/2022	<u>33</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Lynch, Jason) (Entered: 09/16/2022)
09/17/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before October 27, 2022, that updates the court with respect to the status of this matter, and, if appropriate, offers a proposal for a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 9/17/2022. (lcapm1) (Entered: 09/17/2022)
10/27/2022	<u>34</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (Shaw, Khahilia) (Entered: 10/27/2022)