

EXHIBIT 12

Criminal Division FOIA Requests

EXHIBIT 12-a

March 23, 2017 McLean Criminal Division FOIA

March 23, 2017

VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

Kenneth Courter
Acting Chief, FOIA/PA Unit
Criminal Division
Department of Justice
Keeney Building, N.W., Suite 1127
Washington, D.C. 20530-0001

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Courter:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the Privacy Act, (5 U.S.C. §522a, I request the following records concerning Harry S. Stonehill from the time period January 1, 1955 thru January 1, 1980:

All documents transferred to the Washington National Records Center from the Department of Justice (DOJ) Criminal Division, including but not limited to two file jackets filed under the name of Robert P. Brooks (Mr. Stonehill's co-defendant) DJ# 46-16-704, Accession # 60-90-467.

On July 22, 2014, Martha Wagner Murphy, NARA Chief, Special Access and FOIA Staff, responded to my July 10, 2014 FOIA request which requested access to all documents transferred to the National Archives (or the Washington Records Center) from the Department of Justice Criminal Division concerning Harry S. Stonehill:

The National Archives does not have legal custody of records stored at the Washington National Records Center. Legal Custody still belongs to the originating agency—the Department of Justice. To request access to these records, you will need to file a FOIA request with the Department of Justice.

On August 29, 2014, the Department of Justice Criminal Division responded to my July 10, 2014 Freedom of Information Act Request for records concerning Harry S. Stonehill between 1958-1976. You stated that you had “determined that, should the records...exist, they would be maintained by the National Archives and Records Administration.”

Kenneth Courter
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I have recently learned that Criminal Division records relative to the Harry S. Stonehill case were previously stored at the Washington National Records Center (WNRC), which is part of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Two file jackets were filed under the name of Robert P. Brooks (Mr. Stonehill's co-defendant) DJ# 46-16-704, Accession # 60-90-467. These files are responsive to my previous FOIA requests filed with Criminal Division and NARA and they are responsive to this FOIA request.

On February 22, 2017, Cate Brennan at NARA advised me that they have been unable to locate DOJ case 46-16-740 but they were able to verify "with the available indexes that Stonehill and Brooks share the same case number." NARA determined that:

60-90-467 was a transfer number used by DOJ when they sent records to the Washington National Record Center in Suitland. Although the building is operated by NARA, the records housed at Suitland remain in the custody of their originating agency. You will need to contact DOJ and ask them to search the transfer for that case file. The records are classified, so you will likely need a FOIA.

If it is your position that records exist that are responsive to this request, but those records (or portions of those records) are exempt from disclosure, please identify the records that are being withheld and state the basis for the denial for each record being withheld. In addition, please provide the nonexempt portions of the records.

I am a representative of the news media and this request is made as part of news gathering. I request that all fees in connection with this FOIA request be waived in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii), because it does not seek the records for a commercial purpose and disclosure "is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government."

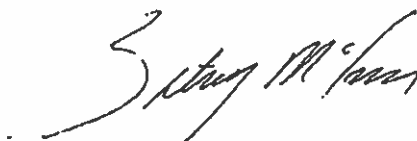
Accordingly, I request that you waive all fees for locating and duplicating the records. If, however, a waiver is not granted, then please advise me of the amount of any proposed search, review, and reproduction charges before those activities are carried out.

Kenneth Courter
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I am attaching Privacy Release Act Form signed by Pauline Stonehill, the Administrator of the Estate of Harry S. Stonehill; Mr. Stonehill died on March 20, 2002. I will expect a response within 20 working days as provided by law. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at the address below.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bethany McLean". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B".

Bethany McLean
1713 North Wood Street
Chicago, Illinois 60622
773-384-1942

U.S. Department of Justice

Certification of Identity

FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1103-0016
EXPIRES 03/31/17

Privacy Act Statement. In accordance with 28 CFR Section 16.41(d) personal data sufficient to identify the individuals submitting requests by mail under the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. Section 552a, is required. The purpose of this solicitation is to ensure that the records of individuals who are the subject of U.S. Department of Justice systems of records are not wrongfully disclosed by the Department. Requests will not be processed if this information is not furnished. False information on this form may subject the requester to criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and/or 5 U.S.C. Section 552a(i)(3).

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.50 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Suggestions for reducing this burden may be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Public Use Reports Project (1103-0016), Washington, DC 20503.

Full Name of Requester ¹ Harry S. Stonehill, DeceasedCitizenship Status ² _____ Social Security Number ³ 322-18-5720Current Address Deceased

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

OPTIONAL: Authorization to Release Information to Another Person

This form is also to be completed by a requester who is authorizing information relating to himself or herself to be released to another person.

Further, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Section 552a(b), I authorize the U.S. Department of Justice to release any and all information relating to me to:

Bethany McLean, 1713 North Wood Street, Chicago, IL 60622, Telephone

Print or Type Name

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct, and that I am the person named above, and I understand that any falsification of this statement is punishable under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment of not more than five years or both, and that requesting or obtaining any record(s) under false pretenses is punishable under the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552a(i)(3) by a fine of not more than \$5,000.

Signature ⁴ *Pauline Stonehill* Date 5/28/14

Pauline Stonehill, Co-Administrator of the Estate of Harry S. Stonehill

¹ Name of individual who is the subject of the record(s) sought.

² Individual submitting a request under the Privacy Act of 1974 must be either "a citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence," pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Section 552a(a)(2). Requests will be processed as Freedom of Information Act requests pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Section 552, rather than Privacy Act requests, for individuals who are not United States citizens or aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence.

³ Providing your social security number is voluntary. You are asked to provide your social security number only to facilitate the identification of records relating to you. Without your social security number, the Department may be unable to locate any or all records relating to you.

⁴ Signature of individual who is the subject of the record sought.



U.S. Department of Justice

Criminal Division

Office of Enforcement Operations

Washington, D.C. 20530

August 29, 2014

Ms. Bethany McLean
1713 North Wood Street
Chicago, IL 60622

Re: CRM-300456249
KWC:CPS

Dear Ms. McLean:

The Criminal Division of the U.S. Department of Justice acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act request dated July 10, 2014, in which you asked for access to certain records concerning Mr. Harry S. Stonehill between 1958-1976. Your request has been assigned file number CRM-300456249. You should refer to this number in any future correspondence with this Office.

After carefully reviewing your request, I have determined that, should the records you are seeking still exist, they would be maintained by the National Archives and Records Administration. If you have not done so already, you may wish to submit a request to that agency at the follow address.

The National Archives and Records Administration
Special Access and FOIA Staff (NWCTF)
8601 Adelphi Road, Room 5500
College Park, MD 20740-6001
www.archives.gov

If you construe this response to be a denial of your request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's eFOIA portal at <http://www.justice.gov/oip/efoia-portal.html>. Your appeal must be received within sixty days from the date of this letter. Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kenneth Courter".

Kenneth Courter
Acting Chief
FOIA/PA Unit

EXHIBIT 12-b

September 26, 2017 letter from A. Jones to B. McLean



U.S. Department of Justice

Criminal Division

Office of Enforcement Operations

Washington, D.C. 20530

VIA U.S. Mail

September 26, 2017

Ms. Bethany McLean
1713 North Wood Street
Chicago, IL 60622

Request No.: CRM-300591953

Dear Ms. McLean:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated March 23, 2017, and received in this Office on March 31, 2017, in which you requested records concerning Harry S. Stonehill.

Please be advised that a search has been conducted in the appropriate section and we found references to records potentially responsive to your request. We have attempted to obtain this material so it could be reviewed to determine whether it was responsive to your request. However, after a thorough search, some of the records could not be located. The remaining records that might have been responsive to your request were destroyed pursuant to the Criminal Division's record retention and disposition schedules, which have been approved by the National Archives and Records Administration. Therefore, we are closing your request administratively.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

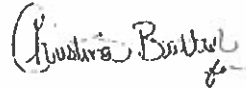
You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at the (202) 616-0307 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation 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, Maryland 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, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you

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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 cursive script, appearing to read "Amanda Marchand Jones".

Amanda Marchand Jones
Chief
FOIA/PA Unit

EXHIBIT 12-c

September 19, 2018 FOIA Request filed by R. Heggstad

September 19, 2018

Kenneth Courter
Acting Chief, FOIA/PA Unit
Criminal Division
Department of Justice
Suite 1127
Keeney Building, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530-0001

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Courter:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. §522(a), I request the following records concerning Harry S. Stonehill from the time period January 1, 1955 thru January 1, 1980:

All documents transferred to the Washington National Records Center from the Department of Justice (DOJ) Criminal Division, including but not limited to two file jackets filed under the name of Robert P. Brooks (Mr. Stonehill's co-defendant) DJ# 46-16-704, Accession # 60-90-467.

This request for the records described above is largely duplicative of the FOIA request filed by Bethany McLean on March 23, 2017, Request No.: CRM-300591953.

On July 22, 2014, Martha Wagner Murphy, NARA Chief, Special Access and FOIA Staff, responded to Ms. McLean's July 10, 2014 FOIA request for access to all documents transferred to the National Archives (or the Washington Records Center) from the Department of Justice Criminal Division concerning Harry S. Stonehill:

The National Archives does not have legal custody of records stored at the Washington National Records Center. Legal Custody still belongs to the originating agency—the Department of Justice. To request access to these records, you will need to file an FOIA request with the Department of Justice.

On August 29, 2014, the Department of Justice Criminal Division responded to Ms. McLean's July 10, 2014 Freedom of Information Act Request for records concerning Harry S. Stonehill between 1958-1976, CRM300456249. You stated that you had "determined that, should the records...exist, they would be maintained by the National Archives and Records Administration."

On February 22, 2017, Cate Brennan at NARA advised Ms. McLean that they have been unable to locate DOJ case 46-16-740 but they were able to verify "with the available indexes that Stonehill and Brooks share the same case number." NARA determined that:

60-90-467 was a transfer number used by DOJ when they sent records to the Washington National Record Center in Suitland. Although the building is operated by NARA, the records housed at Suitland remain in the custody of their originating agency. You will need to contact DOJ and ask them to search the transfer for that case file. The records are classified, so you will likely need a FOIA.

You responded to Ms. McLean's March 23, 2017 FOIA request on September 26, 2017 stating that you "found reference to records potentially responsive" to her request but that "some of the records could not be located." You also stated that the remaining records that might have been responsive to her request "were destroyed pursuant to the Criminal Division's record retention and disposition schedules...."

In addition to the records requested above, I am also requesting copies of the following records concerning Harry S. Stonehill from the period January 1, 1955 thru January 1, 1980 referenced in your September 26, 2017 letter to Ms. McLean:

- (1) all records including electronic correspondence which reference or describe records potentially responsive to this request;
- (2) all records which could be located, referenced in your September 26, 2017 response to Ms. McLean;
- (3) all records including electronic correspondence related to the destruction of documents that are responsive to this request; and
- (4) all correspondence, including electronic correspondence regarding the decision to destroy documents and the dates of the destruction of potentially responsive documents.

If it is your position that records exist that are responsive to this request, but those records (or portions of those records) are exempt from disclosure, please identify the records that are being withheld and state the basis for the denial for each record being withheld. In addition, please provide the nonexempt portions of the records.

I request that all fees in connection with this FOIA request be waived in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii), because it does not seek the records for a commercial purpose and disclosure "is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government."

Accordingly, I request that you waive all fees for locating and duplicating the records. If, however, a waiver is not granted, then please advise me of the amount of any proposed search, review, and reproduction charges before those activities are carried out.

I am attaching Privacy Release Act Form and a Power of Attorney and Declaration of Representative signed by Pauline Stonehill, the Administrator of the Estate of Harry S. Stonehill on August 10, 2018; Mr. Stonehill died on March 20, 2002. I will expect a response within 20

working days as provided by law. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at the address below.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Robert Heggestad
1747 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Suite 1250
Washington, DC 20006
Off: 202-733-6726
robert@rehggestad.com

Privacy Act Release Form
Department of Justice-Criminal Division

Federal Agencies are prohibited from releasing information concerning an individual to a third party under the Privacy Act or 1974. Please complete and sign this form, which will allow information regarding Harry S. Stonehill, deceased SSN #322-19-5720 (as described in the attached FOIA/Privacy Act Request) to be released to:

Robert E. Heggstad
1747 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 1250
Washington, DC 29996
Telephone Number: 202733-6726

Pauline Dale Stonehill

Pauline Dale Stonehill

Co-Executor and Co-Administrator of the Estate of Harry S. Stonehill

Date: 10 August 2018

Mail to: Robert Heggstad

1747 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 1250
Washington, DC 29996

Additional Comments or information may be attached: Please see attached FOIA/Privacy Act Request

2848
 Rev. January 2018
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

**Power of Attorney
 and Declaration of Representative**

OMB No. 1545-0047
 For IRS Use Only
 Received by:
 Name:
 Telephone:
 Extension:
 Date: / /

Go to www.irs.gov/Form2848 for instructions and the latest information.

Part I Power of Attorney

Caution: A separate Form 2848 must be completed for each taxpayer. Form 2848 will not be honored for any purpose other than representation before the IRS.

1 Taxpayer information Taxpayer must sign and date this form on page 2, line 7.

Taxpayer name and address: **Harry S. Stonehill, Deceased**
 Taxpayer identification number(s):
 soc. sec. # **322-18-5720**
 Daytime telephone number: Pan number (if applicable):

hereby appoints the following representative(s) as attorney(s) in fact:

2 Representative(s) must sign and date this form on page 2, Part I.

Name and address: **Robert E. Heggstad**
1747 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Suite 1250
Washington, DC 20006
 CAF No: []
 PIN: []
 Telephone No: **202-733-8726**
 Fax No: []

Check if to be sent copies of notices and communications:
 Name and address: []
 CAF No: []
 PIN: []
 Telephone No: []
 Fax No: []

Check if to be sent copies of notices and communications:
 Name and address: []
 CAF No: []
 PIN: []
 Telephone No: []
 Fax No: []

Note: IRS sends notices and communications to only two representatives.
 Name and address: []
 CAF No: []
 PIN: []
 Telephone No: []
 Fax No: []

Note: IRS sends notices and communications to only two representatives to represent the taxpayer before the Internal Revenue Service and perform the following acts:

3 Acts authorized (you are required to complete this line 3). With the exception of the acts described in line 5b, authorize my representative(s) to receive and inspect my confidential tax information and to perform acts that I can perform with respect to the tax matters described below. For example, my representative(s) shall have the authority to sign any agreements, consents, or similar documents (see instructions for line 5a for authorizing a representative to sign a return).

Description of Matter (income, Employment, Payroll, Excise, Estate, Gift, Whistleblower, Fractional Disclosure, PLR, OIA, Civil Penalty, Sec. 5005A Shared Responsibility Payment, Sec. 1900H Shared Responsibility Payment, etc.) (see instructions):
 Tax Form Number (1040, 941, 720, etc., if applicable): **1040**
 Year(s) or Period(s) (if applicable) (see instructions): **Periods 1958-1961**

4 Specific use not recorded on Centralized Authorization File (CAF). If the power of attorney is for a specific use not recorded on CAF, check this box. See the instructions for Line 4, **Specific Use Not Recorded on CAF**.

5a Additional acts authorized. In addition to the acts listed on line 3 above, I authorize my representative(s) to perform the following acts (see instructions for line 5a for more information):
 Access my IRS records via an Intermediate Service Provider.
 Authorize disclosure to third parties.
 Substitute or add representative(s).
 Sign a return.

Other acts authorized:

- b. **Specific acts not authorized.** My representative(s) is (are) not authorized to endorse or otherwise negotiate any check (including directing or accepting payment by any means, electronic or otherwise, into an account owned or controlled by the representative(s) or any firm or other entity with whom the representative(s) is (are) associated) issued by the government in respect of a federal tax liability. List any other specific deletions to the acts otherwise authorized in this power of attorney (see instructions for line 5b).
- 6. **Retention/revocation of prior power(s) of attorney.** The filing of this power of attorney automatically revokes all earlier power(s) of attorney on file with the Internal Revenue Service for the same matters and years or periods covered by this document. If you do not want to revoke a prior power of attorney, check here.
YOU MUST ATTACH A COPY OF ANY POWER OF ATTORNEY YOU WANT TO REMAIN IN EFFECT.
- 7. **Signature of taxpayer.** If a tax matter concerns a year in which a joint return was filed, each spouse must file a separate power of attorney even if they are appointing the same representative(s). If signed by a corporate officer, partner, guardian, tax matters partner, partnership representative, executor, receiver, administrator, or trustee on behalf of the taxpayer, I certify that I have the legal authority to execute this form on behalf of the taxpayer.
▶ IF NOT COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND DATED, THE IRS WILL RETURN THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY TO THE TAXPAYER.

Pauline Dale Stonehill
 Signature

Co-Executor and Co-Administrator of the Estate of
 Harry S. Stonehill

Title (if applicable)

Pauline Dale Stonehill

Print Name

10 August 2018
 Print Date

Part II Declaration of Representative

Under penalties of perjury, by my signature below, declare that:

- I am not currently suspended or disbarred from practice, or ineligible for practice, before the Internal Revenue Service.
- I am subject to regulations contained in Circular 230 (31 CFR Subtitle A, Part 10), as amended, governing practice before the Internal Revenue Service.
- I am authorized to represent the taxpayer identified in Part I for the matters specified there, and
- I am one of the following:
 - a. Attorney—a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the jurisdiction shown below.
 - b. Certified Public Accountant—a holder of an active license to practice as a certified public accountant in the jurisdiction shown below.
 - c. Enrolled Agent—enrolled as an agent by the Internal Revenue Service per the requirements of Circular 230.
 - d. Officer—a bona fide officer of the taxpayer organization.
 - e. Full-Time Employee—a full-time employee of the taxpayer.
 - f. Family Member—a member of the taxpayer's immediate family (spouse, parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, step-parent, step-child, brother, or sister).
 - g. Enrolled Actuary—enrolled as an actuary by the Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries under 25 U.S.C. 1242 (the authority to practice before the Internal Revenue Service is limited by section 10.3(d) of Circular 230).
 - h. Unenrolled Return Preparer—a firm, its owner, or other person before the IRS is limited. An unenrolled return preparer may represent, provided the preparer (1) prepared and signed the return, (2) was not prepared, (3) there is no signature space on the form, (4) was required to sign the return or return for refund, (5) was a preparer, and (6) was not a preparer as required in the Annual Filing Season Program Record of Completion(s). See *Special Rules and Requirements for Unenrolled Return Preparers in the instructions for additional information*.
 - k. Qualifying Student—receives permission to represent taxpayers before the IRS by virtue of his/her status as a law, business, or accounting student working in an IRS CP. See instructions for Part I for additional information and requirements.
 - r. Retirement Plan Agent—enrolled as a retirement plan agent under the requirements of Circular 230 (the authority to practice before the Internal Revenue Service is limited by section 10.3(e)).

▶ IF THIS DECLARATION OF REPRESENTATIVE IS NOT COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND DATED, THE IRS WILL RETURN THE POWER OF ATTORNEY. REPRESENTATIVES MUST SIGN IN THE ORDER LISTED IN PART I, LINE 2.

Note: For designations d, f, g, k, r, enter the title, position, or relationship to the taxpayer in the "licensing jurisdiction" column.

Designation— insert above letter (a–r)	Licensing jurisdiction (State) or other licensing authority (if applicable)	Bar license, certification, registration, or enrollment number (if applicable)	Signature	Date
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EXHIBIT 12-d

June 19, 2020 letter from Criminal Division to R. Heggstad



U.S. Department of Justice

Criminal Division

Office of Enforcement Operations

Washington, D.C. 20530

VIA Electronic Mail

June 19, 2020

Mr. Robert Heggstad
Suite 1250
1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20006
robert@reheggstad.com

Request No. CRM-300682550
Subject: Harry Stonehill

Dear Mr. Heggstad:

This responds to your status inquiry dated June 4, 2020 concerning your pending Freedom of Information Act request received on September 24, 2018 for records concerning the above-mentioned subject.

Please be advised that your request is being processed on the complex track. On average, it takes the FOIA/PA Unit 301 days to process a complex request. At this time, your request has been pending for 432 business days. Potentially responsive records have been received and are under review.

Your continued patience is appreciated and we apologize for the delays in the processing of your request. Please feel free to follow up with the FOIA/PA Unit in sixty days if you would like another status update on your request.

Sincerely,

FOIA/PA Unit
Criminal Division
U.S. Department of Justice



U.S. Department of Justice

Criminal Division

Office of Enforcement Operations

Washington, D.C. 20530

VIA Electronic Mail

December 8, 2020

Mr. Robert Heggstad
Suite 1250
1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20006
robert@rcheggstad.com

Request No. CRM-300682550
Subject: Harry Stonehill

Dear Mr. Heggstad:

This responds to your status inquiry dated November 20, 2020 concerning your pending Freedom of Information Act request received on September 24, 2018 for records concerning the above-mentioned subject.

Please be advised that your request is being processed on the complex track. On average, it takes the FOIA/PA Unit 301 days to process a complex request. At this time, your request has been pending for 548 business days. A search for responsive records is pending.

You have also requested an estimated date of completion for this request. As stated above, your request has been assigned to the complex track. At this time, we estimate that this request will be completed within 6 months. Please be advised that this is a preliminary estimate that will likely be modified as our searching is completed, and the volume and complexity of the material is evaluated. We will be able to provide you with a more specific estimate after we have completed our search for responsive records.

Your continued patience is appreciated and we apologize for the delays in the processing of your request. Please feel free to follow up with the FOIA/PA Unit in sixty days if you would like another status update on your request.

Sincerely,

FOIA/PA Unit
Criminal Division
U.S. Department of Justice



U.S. Department of Justice

Criminal Division

Office of Enforcement Operations

Washington, D.C. 20530

VIA Electronic Mail

December 9, 2020

Mr. Robert Heggestad
Suite 1250
1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20006
robert@reheggestad.com

Request No. CRM-300682550
Subject: Harry Stonehill

Dear Mr. Heggestad:

This responds to your status inquiry dated November 20, 2020 concerning your pending Freedom of Information Act request received on September 24, 2018 for records concerning the above-mentioned subject.

Please be advised that your request is being processed on the complex track. On average, it takes the FOIA/PA Unit 301 days to process a complex request. At this time, your request has been pending for 548 business days. The search has been completed and the request is under review.

You have also requested an estimated date of completion for this request. As stated above, your request has been assigned to the complex track. At this time, we estimate that this request will be completed within 6 months. Please be advised that this is a preliminary estimate that will likely be modified as our searching is completed, and the volume and complexity of the material is evaluated. We will be able to provide you with a more specific estimate after we have completed our search for responsive records.

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Sincerely,

FOIA/PA Unit
Criminal Division
U.S. Department of Justice

EXHIBIT 12-f

June 4, 2021 letter from Criminal Division to R. Heggestad



U.S. Department of Justice

Criminal Division

Office of Enforcement Operations

Washington, D.C. 20530

VIA Electronic Mail

June 4, 2021

Mr. Robert Heggstad
Suite 1250
1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20006
robert@reheggstad.com

Request No. CRM-300682550
Subject: Harry Stonehill

Dear Mr. Heggstad:

This responds to your status inquiry dated April 13, 2021 concerning your pending Freedom of Information Act request received on September 24, 2018 for records concerning the above-mentioned subject.

Please be advised that your request is being processed on the complex track. On average, it takes the FOIA/PA Unit 301 days to process a complex request. At this time, your request has been pending for 651 business days. Potentially responsive records have been received and are under review.

You have also requested an estimated date of completion for this request. As stated above, your request has been assigned to the complex track. At this time, we estimate that this request will be completed within six months. Please be advised that this is a preliminary estimate that will likely be modified as we process your request, and the volume and complexity of the material is evaluated. We will be able to provide you with a more specific estimate after we have completed our preliminary review of the material.

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Sincerely,

FOIA/PA Unit
Criminal Division
U.S. Department of Justice

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "YR".

EXHIBIT 12-g

September 14, 2022 FOIA request to Criminal Division from R. Heggstad

September 14, 2022

VIA E-MAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Gary M. Stern, Esquire
General Counsel and Chief FOIA Officer
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
Special Access and FOIA
8601 Adelphi Road, Room 5500
College Park, MD 20740-60001

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Stern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 and the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a), filed on behalf of my client, Pauline Dale Stonehill, for all records and documents, including electronic correspondence, during the time period January 1, 1998 thru August 31, 2022, related to storage, transfer and review of records related to Harry S. Stonehill ("Stonehill") contained in Transfer 060-07-0467, Transfer 060-90-0467 (DJ No. 46-16-704) and Transfer 060-84-0234 (DJ No. 46-18-704¹ and 46-16-704) referenced in the April 5, 2017 email from Alfred Greene to Everett Gibbons, (Attachment 1) including but not limited to:

1. All communications between Washington National Records Center (WNRC) and/or NARA and representatives of the Department of Justice Criminal Division, including but not limited to conversations or electronic communications between Alfred Greene and Everett Gibbons, communications with Less Rowe, Department of Justice Criminal Division, and Christina Butler, Department of Justice Criminal Division.
2. All Standard Form 135 ("SF-135") provided to WNRC or NARA in connection with Transfer 060-07-0467, Transfer 060-90-0467 (DJ No. 46-16-704) and Transfer. 060-84-0234 (DJ No. 46-18-704 and 46-16-704)
3. All OF-11's from the DOJ Criminal Division or the DOJ Tax Division requesting the transfer of Stonehill documents (files or boxes) from the WNRC or NARA from January 1, 2000 until July 1, 2022, and all records including the dates of transfer of Stonehill documents to the DOJ Criminal Division or the DOJ Tax Division;
4. All records related the transfer or refile of Transfer 060-07-0467, Transfer 060-90-0467 (DJ No. 46-16-704) and Transfer. 060-84-0234 (DJ No. 46-18-704 and 46-16-704);
5. All documents contained in Transfer 060-07-0467, Transfer 060-90-0467 (DJ No. 46-16-704) and Transfer. 060-84-0234 (DJ No. 46-18-704 and 46-16-704); and

¹ The description in the April 5, 2017 printout appears to be either No. 46-18-704 or 46-16-704) It is not legible.

6. All records related to the destruction of any documents contained in Transfer 060-07-0467, Transfer 060-90-0467 (DJ No. 46-16-704) and Transfer. 060-84-0234 (DJ No. 46-18-704 and 46-16-704).

I am attaching Power of Attorney from Pauline Stonehill, Mr. Stonehill's wife, beneficiary and Co-Executor and Co-Administrator of the Estate of Harry S. Stonehill. (Attachment 2). Mr. Stonehill died on March 20, 2002.

If it is your position that records exist that are responsive to this request, but those records (or portions of those records) are exempt from disclosure, please identify the records that are being withheld and state the basis for the denial for each record being withheld. In addition, please provide the nonexempt portions of the records.

I request that all fees in connection with this FOIA request be waived in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii), because it does not seek the records for a commercial purpose and disclosure "is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government." Accordingly, I request that you waive all fees for locating and duplicating the records. If, however, a waiver is not granted, then please advise me of the amount of any proposed search, review, and reproduction charges before those activities are carried out.

I will expect a response within 20 working days as provided by law. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at the address below. I am requesting that all records relating to Transfer 060-07-0467, Transfer 060-90-0467 (DJ No. 46-16-704) and Transfer. 060-84-0234 (DJ No. 46-18-704 and 46-16-704) be preserved and that the contents of these transfers be preserved.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Robert B. Heggstad
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Washington, DC 20006
(202) 733-6726

cc: Stephanie Coon

ATTACHMENT 1

ATTACHMENT 2

**IRREVOCABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT
THE ESTATE OF HARRY S. STONEHILL IN ALL MATTERS
RELATING TO ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE U.S.
GOVERNMENT**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, **Pauline Dale Stonehill**, pursuant to the authority vested in me as **CO-EXECUTOR AND ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF HARRY S. STONEHILL** (“ESTATE”), have made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint Robert E. Heggstad of 1747 Pennsylvania NW, Washington, DC 20006, as the ESTATE’S true and lawful attorney-in-fact and to handle the claims of the ESTATE against the U.S. Government, without power of revocation, coupled with his interest for services previously performed and costs previously expended and further services to be rendered in reliance hereon and pursuant to the **FEE AGREEMENT** made September 30, 1999 by and among Harry S. Stonehill and Pauline Stonehill and Robert E. Heggstad (Heggstad & Weiss, P.C.) and to do the following acts to prosecute such claims that I or my successor could do if personally present pursuant to the June 8, 2001 **ADDENDUM TO THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF HARRY S. STONEHILL** appointing me as administrator, negotiator and decision maker to work with Robert Heggstad to handle my husband’s claims against the U.S. Government. That is:

1. To request, inspect and copy Harry S. Stonehill’s returns and return information as defined in 6103 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C.) in connection with requests for such records or requests for any records in the possession of any Federal agency relating to Harry S. Stonehill under the Freedom of Information Act and/or the Privacy Act for 1958-2012; and to pursue any litigation necessary to obtain copies of such records;
2. To continue to represent and act as needed on behalf of the ESTATE in connection with United States of America v. Harry S. Stonehill, et al., Civil Action No. 65-127-GJS (U.S.D.C.C.D. Cal.) (hereinafter the “Civil Action”) including, without limitation, opposing efforts to collect the underlying judgment, and/or affirmatively attempting to have the judgment overturned by any appropriate legal means, including litigation, in aid of obtaining a refund of amounts paid including interest thereon pursuant to the said judgment, and seeking damages for the wrongful

conduct of the Government and any other culpable parties in connection with its efforts to procure, enforce, collect upon, or oppose efforts to set aside the judgment in the Civil Action.

GIVING AND GRANTING unto my said attorney full and irrevocable power and authority to do and perform all and every act, deed, matter and thing whatsoever granted by these presents as I or my successor might or could do in my proper person if personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said attorney may or shall lawfully do, or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this irrevocable power of attorney and hereto set my hand and seal this 14 day of SEP 2018.

Pauline Dale Stonehill

Pauline Dale Stonehill
Executor and Administrator of the Estate of Harry S. Stonehill



_____ : ss

I, _____, a Notary Public in the jurisdiction of Spain, do hereby certify that: Pauline Dale Stonehill, who executes the foregoing Irrevocable Power of Attorney bearing the date of the _____ day of _____, 2018, personally appeared before me in said jurisdiction and acknowledged her execution thereof to be her free act and deed. Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Notary Public	EMILIO ESTEBAN-HANZA NAVARRO NOTARIO Cf. de la Esperanza, local 2 Telfs: 95 249 10 46 - 95 259 49 29 Fax: 95 259 51 29 29120 ALHAURÍN EL GRANDE (Málaga) E-mail: alhaurinelgrande@notin.net
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Witness

Segue al dorso legitimación de firma



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LEGITIMACION: YO, EMILIO ESTEBAN-HANZA NAVARRO, Notario del Ilustre Colegio de Andalucía, con residencia en Alhaurín el Grande, **DOY FE:** De que la firma que precede, es perteneciente a **DOÑA PAULINE MARY DALE**, de nacionalidad británica, con pasaporte de dicha nacionalidad número 707334614, por haber sido puesta en mi presencia y así resulta del Acta número **1466** de mi protocolo, autorizada por mí el día catorce de septiembre de dos mil dieciocho, conforme al Art. 207, 2 2ª del Reglamento Notarial.

En dicha acta la citada **DOÑA PAULINE MARY DALE**, declara conocer el contenido del documento cuya firma aquí se legitima, y requiere que produzca los efectos que le sean aplicables conforme a lo previsto en las Leyes Extranjeras. ----

ANOTADA ESTA LEGITIMACIÓN EN MI LIBRO INDICADOR DE LA SECCION SEGUNDA CON EL NUMERO 500. -----

ALHAURIN EL GRANDE, a catorce de septiembre de dos mil dieciocho. -----

