

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:22-cv-01224-TNM**

CATO INSTITUTE v. U.S. SECRET SERVICE et al  
Assigned to: Judge Trevor N. McFadden  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 05/02/2022  
Date Terminated: 01/12/2023  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
05/02/2022	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE ( Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-9209073) filed by CATO INSTITUTE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Ex 1-10, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/02/2022)
05/02/2022	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Topic on behalf of CATO INSTITUTE (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/02/2022)
05/02/2022	<u>3</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Joshua Loevy on behalf of CATO INSTITUTE (Loevy, Joshua) (Entered: 05/02/2022)
05/03/2022		Case Assigned to Judge Trevor N. McFadden. (znm) (Entered: 05/03/2022)
05/03/2022	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(znm) (Entered: 05/03/2022)
05/03/2022	<u>5</u>	STANDING ORDER Establishing Procedures for Cases Before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. The parties are hereby ORDERED to read and comply with the directives in the attached standing order. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 5/3/22. (lctnm2) (Entered: 05/03/2022)
05/26/2022	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. SECRET SERVICE served on 5/11/2022 (Loevy, Joshua) (Entered: 05/26/2022)
05/26/2022	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY served on 5/11/2022 (Loevy, Joshua) (Entered: 05/26/2022)
05/26/2022	<u>8</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 05/12/2022. (Loevy, Joshua) (Entered: 05/26/2022)
06/10/2022	<u>9</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by April Denise Seabrook on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 06/10/2022)
06/13/2022	<u>10</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE.(Seabrook, April) (Entered: 06/13/2022)

06/13/2022		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>10</u> Answer to Complaint; emailed to april.seabrook@usdoj.gov, cc'd 6 associated attorneys -- The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. <b>Please note the following for future filings; do not refile document</b> , 2. Judges initials are TNM (zeg, ) (Entered: 06/13/2022)
06/13/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court are a complaint and an answer in this FOIA case. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report proposing a schedule for proceeding in this matter. The schedule should address, among other things, the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff, whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case, whether a Vaughn index will be required in this case, and a briefing schedule for dispositive motions, if required. The parties shall file the schedule on or before July 13, 2022. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 6/13/22. (lctnm2) (Entered: 06/13/2022)
06/14/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 7/13/2022. (hmc) (Entered: 06/14/2022)
07/13/2022	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE. (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 07/13/2022)
07/13/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, the Court directs the parties to file another JSR by October 11, 2022. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 7/13/22. (lctnm2) (Entered: 07/13/2022)
07/14/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/11/2022. (hmc) (Entered: 07/14/2022)
08/09/2022	<u>12</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Marsha Wellknown Yee on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE Substituting for attorney April Denise Seabrook (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 08/09/2022)
10/11/2022	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 10/11/2022)
10/11/2022		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, the Court directs the parties to file another JSR by January 11, 2023. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 10/11/2022. (lctnm2) (Entered: 10/11/2022)
10/11/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/11/2023. (hmc) (Entered: 10/11/2022)
12/09/2022	<u>14</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Lshauntee J. Robertson on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Marsha Yee (Robertson, Lshauntee) (Entered: 12/09/2022)
01/11/2023	<u>15</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE. (Robertson, L'Shauntee) (Entered: 01/11/2023)
01/11/2023		MINUTE ORDER: After considering the <u>15</u> Stipulation of Dismissal, this case is hereby DISMISSED with prejudice. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(A)(ii). The Clerk of Court shall close this case. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 1/11/2023. (lctnm2) (Entered: 01/11/2023)