

**U.S. Department of Justice** 

Office of Legal Counsel

Washington, D.C. 20530

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Reed D. Rubinstein America First Legal Foundation FOIA@aflegal.org

## Re: FOIA Tracking No. FY22-010

Dear Mr. Rubinstein:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your October 22, 2021 Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request to the Office of Legal Counsel ("OLC"), among others, in which you sought four categories of "records relating to AFL Request FOIA-2022-00056," which was assigned OLC tracking number FY22-003, with categories (A)-(C) limited to "October 7, 2021, to October 18, 2021." For your information, consistent with 28 C.F.R. § 16.4(a), we construe category (D) as seeking records from October 1, 2021, to the date a search is begun. We received the request on October 22, 2021, and it has been assigned tracking number **FY22-010**. We apologize for the significant administrative delay in providing you with this acknowledgment.

Based on our preliminary review of your request, and pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(b), your request has been tentatively assigned to the "complex" processing track. If you would like to narrow your request so that it can be transferred to the "simple" track and processed more quickly, please contact Melissa Golden at the address and phone number provided below.

Because of the considerable number of FOIA requests received by OLC prior to your request, we have not yet been able to process your request. Accordingly, we were unable to comply with the statutory deadline for responding to your request. We regret the necessity of this delay, but please be assured that your request will be processed as soon as possible.

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.

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, OLC FOIA Staff