CIVIL COVER SHEET

| JS-44 (Rev. 11/2020 DC) | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| I. (a) PLAINTIFFS | | | | DEFENDANTS | | | | | | | |
| Government Accountability & Oversight | | | | US Cente | rs for M | ledica | e & Me | dicaid Services | | | |
| | | | | US Department of Health and Human Services | | | | | | | |
| | | | | oo bepartment of mealth and muthan Services | | | | | | | |
| (b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF 88888 (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES) | | | | COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY) NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED | | | | | | | |
| (c) ATTORNEYS (FIRMNA | ME ADDRES | S, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER |) | ATTORNEYS | | | CASES, USE TH | E LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF I | AND INVOLV | /ED | |
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| II. BASIS OF JURISI | DICTION | | IIL CITI | ZENSHIP C | F PRIN | CIPAL | PARTIF | S (PLACE AN X IN ONE) | BOX FOR | | |
| (PLACE AN X IN ONE BOX ONLY) | | | III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (PLACE AN X IN ONE BOX FOR PLAINTIFF AND ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT) FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY! | | | | | | | | |
| | | deral Question S. Government Not a Party) | Citizen of | | | ated or Principal Place ess in This State | PTF O 4 | DFT O 4 | | | |
| 2 U.S. Government Defendant | | versity ndicate Citizenship of | Citizen of | Another State | nother State O 2 | | Incorpor | ated and Principal Place | O 5 | O ⁵ | |
| | Pa | rties in item III) | | Subject of a | O 3 | O 3 | | of Business in Another State | | | |
| | | | Foreign Co | ountry | 0, | 0, | Foreign Nation | | O 6 | O 6 | |
| IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Place an X | in one categ | ory, A-N, that best repres | | | | | | onding Nature of Su | it) | | |
| O A. Antitrust | | Personal Injury/ Ialpractice | 0 | O C. Administrative Agency Review | | | | O D. Temporary Restraining Order/Preliminary | | | |
| 410 Antitrust | 310 Ai | rplane | | 151 Medicare | Act | | | Injunctio | n | | |
| | | rplane Product Liability | | | | | Any nature of suit from any category may be selected for this category of | | | | |
| | | ssault, Libel & Slander | | Social Security | | | | | | | |
| | 330 Federal Employers Liability 340 Marine 345 Marine Product Liability 350 Motor Vehicle 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability 360 Other Personal Injury | | | 861 HIA (1395ff) 862 Black Lung (923) 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) | | | case assignment. *(If Antitrust, then A governs)* | | | | |
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| | | | | 864 SSID Title XVI | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 865 RSI (405(g)) | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Other Statutes | | | | | | | |
| | | edical Malpractice | | 891 Agricultural Acts 893 Environmental Matters 890 Other Statutory Actions (If Administrative Agency is Involved) | | | | | | | |
| | | oduct Liability | | | | | | | | | |
| | | ealth Care/Pharmaceutical | | | | | | | | | |
| | | rsonal Injury Product Liab | ility | | | | | | | | |
| | 368 As | bestos Product Liability | | | | | | | | | |
| O E. General Civ | vil (Other) | OR | I | O F. <i>Pr</i> | o Se Gei | neral C | livil | 1 | | | |
| Real Property | | Bankruptcy | | | Tax Suits | | | | | | |
| 210 Land Condemnation 422 Appeal 27 USC 15 | | | | | | | iffor | 465 Other Immigration Actions | | | |
| 220 Foreclosure | Figetmont | 423 Withdrawal 28 U | SC 157 | C 157 defendant) 871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC | | | 470 Racketeer Influenced | | | | |
| 230 Rent, Lease & Ejectment 240 Torts to Land <u>Prisoner Petitions</u> | | | | 7609 | | | & Corrupt Organization | | | | |
| 245 Tort Product Liability 535 Death Penalty | | | | | | | 480 Consumer Credit 485 Telephone Consumer | | | | |
| 290 All Other Real Property 540 Mandamus & Other | | | her | r <u>Forfeiture/Penalty</u> 625 Drug Related Seizure of | | | Protection Act (TCPA) | | | | |
| 550 Civil Rights | | | | Property 21 USC 881 | | | 490 Cable/Satellite TV | | | | |
| Personal Property 555 Prison Conditions 370 Other Fraud 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions | | | | 600 Other | | | 850 Securities/Commodities/ | | | | |
| 370 Other Fraud 560 Civil Detainee – Con 371 Truth in Lending of Confinement | | | Conditions | | | | Exchange | | | | |
| 380 Other Personal Property | | | | Other Statutes | | | 896 Arbitration | | | | |
| Damage Property Rights | | | | 375 False Claims Act 376 Qui Tam (31 USC | | | 899 Administrative Procedure | | | | |
| 385 Property Damage 820 Copyri | | 820 Copyrights | | | 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a)) | | | Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision | | | |
| Product Liability | | 830 Patent | | 400 State Reapportionment | | | 950 Constitutionality of State | | | | |
| | | 025 Datant ALL. | | | 430 Banks & Banking | | | Statutes | | | |
| | ity | 835 Patent – Abbrevi | | | | Bankin | g | Statutes | | | |
| | ity | Drug Application | | 43 | | | - | Statutes | utory Acti | ions | |
| | ity | | 1 | 430 450 460 | 0 Banks & 0 Commer 0 Deportat | ·ce/ICC tion | - | 890 Other State (if not adm | inistrativ | e agency | |
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| G. Habeas Corpus/ 2255 530 Habeas Corpus – General 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence 463 Habeas Corpus – Alien Detainee | H. Employment Discrimination 442 Civil Rights – Employment (criteria: race, gender/sex, national origin, discrimination, disability, age, religion, retaliation) | I. FOIA/Privacy Act 895 Freedom of Information Act 890 Other Statutory Actions (if Privacy Act) | J. Student Loan 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (excluding veterans) | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| K. Labor/ERISA (non-employment) 710 Fair Labor Standards Act 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations 740 Labor Railway Act 751 Family and Medical Leave Act 790 Other Labor Litigation 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act | *(If pro se, select this deck)* C. Other Civil Rights (non-employment) 441 Voting (if not Voting Rights Act) 443 Housing/Accommodations 440 Other Civil Rights 445 Americans w/Disabilities – Employment 446 Americans w/Disabilities – Other 448 Education | *(If pro se, select this deck)* M. Contract 110 Insurance 120 Marine 130 Miller Act 140 Negotiable Instrument 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits 160 Stockholder's Suits 190 Other Contracts 195 Contract Product Liability 196 Franchise | N. Three-Judge Court 441 Civil Rights – Voting (if Voting Rights Act) | | | | | | |
| V. ORIGIN O 1 Original Proceeding O 2 Removed from State Court O 3 Remanded from Appellate Court O 4 Reinstated or Reopened O 5 Transferred from another district (specify) O 6 Multi-district O 7 Appeal to District Judge from Mag. Judge O 8 Multi-district | | | | | | | | | |
| VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE.) 5 USC 552 et seq., failure to provide lawful determination and records with respect to FOIA request | | | | | | | | | |
| VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23 DEMAND \$ Check YES only if demanded in complaint YES Check YES only if demanded in complaint YES | | | | | | | | | |
| VIII. RELATED CASE(S) (See instruction) YES NO If yes, please complete related case form IF ANY If yes, please complete related case form If yes, please complete related case form | | | | | | | | | |
| DATE: June 12, 2023 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD S/ Matthew D. Hardin | | | | | | | | | |

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET JS-44 Authority for Civil Cover Sheet

The JS-44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replaces nor supplements the filings and services of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. Consequently, a civil cover sheet is submitted to the Clerk of Court for each civil complaint filed. Listed below are tips for completing the civil cover sheet. These tips coincide with the Roman Numerals on the cover sheet.

- I. COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF/DEFENDANT (b) County of residence: Use 11001 to indicate plaintiff if resident of Washington, DC, 88888 if plaintiff is resident of United States but not Washington, DC, and 99999 if plaintiff is outside the United States.
- III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES: This section is completed <u>only</u> if diversity of citizenship was selected as the Basis of Jurisdiction under Section II.
- IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT: The assignment of a judge to your case will depend on the category you select that best represents the <u>primary</u> cause of action found in your complaint. You may select only <u>one</u> category. You <u>must</u> also select <u>one</u> corresponding nature of suit found under the category of the case.
- VI. CAUSE OF ACTION: Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of the primary cause.
- VIII. RELATED CASE(S), IF ANY: If you indicated that there is a related case, you must complete a related case form, which may be obtained from the Clerk's Office.

Because of the need for accurate and complete information, you should ensure the accuracy of the information provided prior to signing the form.