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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS		DEFENDANTS
US Right to Know		Office of the Director of National Intelligence
(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Oakland CA (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 (Firm Name,	Address, and Telephone Number)	Attorneys (If Known)
Hardin Law Offi	ce, 1725 I Street NW, Suite 300,	
Washington DC		
II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only) III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff		
1 U.S. Government     Plaintiff	3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)	In. CITEZETSHILLOF TARTICLES (Place an 'X' in One Box for Plaintiff (For Diversity Cases Only)       and One Box for Defendant)         PTF       DEF       PTF       DEF         Citizen of This State       1       1       Incorporated or Principal Place       4       4         of Business In This State       1       1       1       1       1       1       1
× 2 U.S. Government Defendant	4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)	Citizen of Another State 2 2 Incorporated <i>and</i> Principal Place 5 5 of Business In Another State
		Citizen or Subject of a 3 5 Foreign Nation 6 6
IV. NATURE OF SUIT	<b>(</b> <i>Place an "X" in One Box Only</i> <b>)</b>	Click here for: <u>Nature of Suit Code Descriptions</u> .
CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY BANKRUPTCY OTHER STATUTES
<ul> <li>110 Insurance</li> <li>120 Marine</li> <li>130 Miller Act</li> <li>140 Negotiable Instrument</li> <li>150 Recovery of Overpayment &amp; Enforcement of Judgment</li> <li>151 Medicare Act</li> <li>152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans)</li> <li>153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits</li> <li>160 Stockholders' Suits</li> <li>190 Other Contract</li> <li>195 Contract Product Liability</li> <li>196 Franchise</li> </ul> <b>REAL PROPERTY</b> <ul> <li>210 Land Condemnation</li> <li>220 Foreclosure</li> <li>230 Rent Lease &amp; Ejectment</li> <li>240 Torts to Land</li> <li>245 Tort Product Liability</li> <li>290 All Other Real Property</li> </ul>	PERSONAL INJURY       PERSONAL INJ         310 Airplane       365 Personal Injur         315 Airplane Product       Product Liability         136 Airplane Product       367 Health Care/         1320 Assault, Libel &       Pharmaceutica         1330 Federal Employers'       Product Liability         330 Federal Employers'       Product Liability         340 Marine       10 Mirine         3455 Marine Product       Liability         350 Motor Vehicle       370 Other Fraud         355 Motor Vehicle       370 Other Personal         970 Other Personal       Property Dama         10 Jury       385 Property Dama         11 Medical Malpractice       Proluct Liability         440 Other Civil Rights       Habeas Corpus:         441 Voting       463 Alien Detained         442 Employment       510 Motions to Va         443 Housing/       S30 General         445 Amer. w/Disabilities -       540 Mandamus & to         540 Mandamus & to       550 Civil Rights         4448 Education       555 Prison Conditi         560 Civil Detainee       Conditions of         540 Mandamus & to       S60 Civil Detainee	of Property 21 USC 881       423 Withdrawal       376 Qui Tam (31 USC         ity       690 Other       3729(a)         INTELLECTUAL       400 State Reapportionment         410 Antitrust       430 Banks and Banking         430 Banks and Banking       430 Commerce         430 Patent       460 Deportation         830 Patent       460 Deportation         830 Patent       480 Consumerce         830 Patent       480 Consumerce         830 Patent       480 Consumerce         830 Patent       480 Consumerce         840 Trademark       Corrupt Organizations         840 Trademark       480 Consumer Credit         9710 Fair Labor Standards       880 Defend Trade Secrets         Act       720 Labor/Management         92 Protection Act       861 BIA (1395ff)         92 Protection Act       863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g))         93 Environmental Matters       864 SSID Title XVI         930 Other Labor Litigation       867 RSI (405(g))         791 Employee Retirement       867 Taxes (U.S. Plaintif         1ccare Act       870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintif         971 Employee Retirement       870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintif         1ccare Act       870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintif         970 Other Labor Litigation
V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only) x 1 Original 2 Removed from Appellate Court Appellate Court 6 Multidistrict Litigation - Litigation - Litigation - Direct File		
VI. CAUSE OF ACTIO	5 USC 552 et seg	a are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):
VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:	CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTI UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.	ON       DEMAND \$       CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:         JURY DEMAND:       Yes       No
VIII. RELATED CAS IF ANY	E(S) (See instructions): JUDGE	DOCKET NUMBER
DATE Aug. 10, 2023	SIGNATURE OF . /s/ Matthew D. H.	ATTORNEY OF RECORD ardin
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY		
RECEIPT #     AMOUNT     APPLYING IFP     JUDGE     MAG. JUDGE		

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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- **I.(a) Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".

II. Jurisdiction. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below. United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here. United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box. Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment

to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

- **III.** Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If there are multiple nature of suit codes associated with the case, pick the nature of suit code that is most applicable. Click here for: <u>Nature of Suit Code Descriptions</u>.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date. Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation – Transfer. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407.

Multidistrict Litigation – Direct File. (8) Check this box when a multidistrict case is filed in the same district as the Master MDL docket. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT AN ORIGIN CODE 7.** Origin Code 7 was used for historical records and is no longer relevant due to changes in statute.

- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity. Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service.
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P. Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction. Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.