

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:21-cv-01994-APM**

NATIONAL STUDENT LEGAL DEFENSE NETWORK v.
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Assigned to: Judge Amit P. Mehta
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 07/22/2021
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

**NATIONAL STUDENT LEGAL
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V.

Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
07/22/2021	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-8617740) filed by NATIONAL STUDENT LEGAL DEFENSE NETWORK. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons)(Rothschild, Eric) (Attachment 1 replaced on 7/23/2021) (adh,). (Entered: 07/22/2021)
07/23/2021		Case Assigned to Judge Amit P. Mehta. (adh,) (Entered: 07/23/2021)
07/23/2021	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(adh,) (Entered: 07/23/2021)
07/27/2021	<u>3</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by NATIONAL STUDENT LEGAL DEFENSE NETWORK (Rothschild, Eric) (Entered: 07/27/2021)
08/09/2021	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 8/2/2021. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 9/1/2021.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 08/02/2021., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION served on 8/9/2021 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit)(Rothschild, Eric) (Entered: 08/09/2021)

09/01/2021	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Stuart Justin Robinson on behalf of DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 09/01/2021)
09/01/2021	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.(Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 09/01/2021)
09/02/2021	<u>7</u>	MINUTE ORDER. Both a Complaint and an Answer are now before the court in this FOIA case. It is hereby ordered that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report on or before September 16, 2021. The Joint Status Report shall include (1) the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request; (2) the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request; (3) the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff; (4) whether a motion for stay is likely under Open America v. Watergate Special Prosecution Force, 547 F.2d 605 (D.C. Cir. 1976); and (5) whether the parties anticipate summary judgment briefing and, if so, a proposed briefing schedule. See attached Order for details. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 9/2/2021. (lcapm3) (Entered: 09/02/2021)
09/14/2021	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 09/14/2021)
09/15/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report by October 22, 2021, which updates the court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 9/15/2021. (lcapm3) (Entered: 09/15/2021)
10/22/2021	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 10/22/2021)
10/22/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall update the court with any additional relevant information regarding production and processing by October 29, 2021, and propose a date for a next status report. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/22/2021. (lcapm3) (Entered: 10/22/2021)
10/29/2021	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 10/29/2021)
10/29/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by January 29, 2022, which updates this court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/29/2021. (lcapm3) (Entered: 10/29/2021)
01/26/2022	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 01/26/2022)
01/27/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by April 29, 2022, which updates this court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 01/27/2022. (lcapm3) (Entered: 01/27/2022)
04/27/2022	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 04/27/2022)
04/28/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by July 29, 2022, which updates this court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 04/27/2022. (lcapm3) (Entered: 04/28/2022)
07/15/2022	<u>13</u>	NOTICE of Change of Address by Eric Rothschild (Rothschild, Eric) (Entered: 07/15/2022)
07/26/2022	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 07/26/2022)
07/27/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by October 28, 2022, which updates this court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 07/27/2022. (lcapm3) (Entered: 07/27/2022)

10/27/2022	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 10/27/2022)
10/28/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by December 27, 2022, which updates this court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/28/2022. (lcapm3) (Entered: 10/28/2022)
12/21/2022	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 12/21/2022)
12/22/2022		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by March 31, 2023, which updates this court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 12/22/2022. (lcapm3) (Entered: 12/22/2022)
03/29/2023	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 03/29/2023)
03/30/2023		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by June 30, 2023, which updates this court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 03/30/2023. (lcapm3) (Entered: 03/30/2023)
06/21/2023	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 06/21/2023)
06/22/2023		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by September 29, 2023, which updates this court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 06/22/2023. (lcapm3) (Entered: 06/22/2023)
09/28/2023	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 09/28/2023)
09/29/2023		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report by November 9, 2023, which advises whether any disputed issues remain and, if so, proposes a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 09/29/2023. (lcapm3) (Entered: 09/29/2023)
11/09/2023	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 11/09/2023)
11/13/2023		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report by January 15, 2024, which advises whether any disputed issues remain and, if so, proposes a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 11/13/2023. (lcapm3) (Entered: 11/13/2023)
01/11/2024	<u>21</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal (<i>Joint</i>) by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Robinson, Stuart) (Entered: 01/11/2024)