

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-02960-DLF**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY
Assigned to: Judge Dabney L. Friedrich
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 10/04/2023
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/04/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-10399741) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Department of Homeland Security, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons U.S. Attorney)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 10/04/2023)
10/04/2023	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 10/04/2023)
10/05/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Dabney L. Friedrich. (zcb) (Entered: 10/05/2023)
10/05/2023	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zcb) (Entered: 10/05/2023)
10/05/2023	<u>4</u>	STANDARD ORDER for Civil Cases. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on October 5, 2023. (lcldf2) (Entered: 10/05/2023)
10/26/2023	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 10/12/2023. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 11/11/2023.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 10/19/2023., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S.

		DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY served on 10/16/2023 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 10/26/2023)
11/09/2023	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.(Snyder, Hilarie) (Entered: 11/09/2023)
11/09/2023		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall MEET AND CONFER and file a joint status report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. The status report should address the status of the plaintiff's FOIA request, including the anticipated number of documents responsive to the request and the anticipated date(s) for release of the requested documents. The parties shall file the joint status report on or before November 30, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on November 9, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 11/09/2023)
11/28/2023	<u>7</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Snyder, Hilarie) (Entered: 11/28/2023)
11/29/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the plaintiffs' <u>7</u> Status Report, it is ORDERED as follows: the parties shall file a joint status report identifying any disputed issues on or before March 15, 2024. The defendant shall file any motion for summary judgment, including a <i>Vaughn</i> Index and/or Declaration, on or before April 16, 2024. The plaintiff shall file any cross-motion for summary judgment, along with its opposition to any motion for summary judgment by the defendant, on or before May 15, 2024. The defendant shall file any opposition to the plaintiff's motion, and any reply in support of its own motion, on or before June 14, 2024. The plaintiff shall file a final reply on or before July 12, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on November 29, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 11/29/2023)
11/29/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 5/15/2024. Response to Cross Motions due by 6/14/2024. Reply to Cross Motions due by 7/12/2024. (zjch,) (Entered: 11/29/2023)
03/06/2024	<u>8</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 03/06/2024)
03/06/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>8</u> Stipulation of Dismissal, this action is DISMISSED with prejudice. Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(A)(ii). The Clerk of Court is directed to close the case. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 6, 2024. (lcldf1) (Entered: 03/06/2024)