From: Ian Prior

Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2023 1:31 PM

To: Hibbard, Douglas (OIP)

Subject: RE: Pending Freedom of Information Act Request, FOIA-2023-02127

We can limited the time frame by starting it at 11/1/2022.

Also can limit by eliminating news articles.

Finally, can restrict to only political appointees.

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From: Hibbard, Douglas (OIP)

Sent: Monday, August 21, 2023 1:18 PM

To: foia@aflegal.org

Subject: Pending Freedom of Information Act Request, FOIA-2023-02127

Ian Prior,

This concerns your pending Freedom of Information Act request seeking various records concerning the Southern Poverty Law Center.

At this time, a preliminary records search has been conducted and over 78,000 potentially responsive records have been located. As such, I am inquiring into your interest in narrowing the scope of your request is order to facilitate our response. For example, you could (a) provide a narrower timeframe for your request, which currently does not include a start date, and/or (2) exclude from the scope of your request compilations of public news articles that contain one or more of the terms within your request and/or (3) limit your request to communications with the named SPLC officials.

Please feel free to respond to this email with any questions or comments you may have.

Doug Hibbard
Chief, Initial Request Staff
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