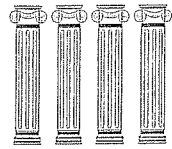


EXHIBIT 7



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VIA FED EX

Case No. 2013-1136GD

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Appeal

To Whom It May Concern:

On July 16, 2013 Landmark Legal Foundation (“Landmark”) submitted a Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) Request (“Request”) to the Department of Health and Human Services (“Department” or “HHS”) seeking production of records relating HHS employee’s use of personal email, text or other private communication.

On February 10, 2014, Garfield Daley, from the Office of Public Affairs responded to Landmark’s Request stating that “no records exist relating to the information [Landmark] requested. Mr. Daley stated that, should Landmark decide to appeal HHS’s decision, Landmark should direct its appeal to “Director, New Division, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.” Landmark received this letter on February 19, 2014.

Landmark submitted an administrative appeal of HHS’s determining to your office on March 19, 2014. Fed Ex records indicate you received this appeal on March 20, 2014. To date, Landmark has not received any correspondence from HHS pertaining to its appeal.

HHS regulations provide, in relevant part, “[HHS] will decide an appeal within 20 working days after the appeal reaches the appropriate review official.” 45 C.F.R. § 5.35(b)(2).

Over twenty (20) working days have passed and Landmark has not received any word from the Department as to the status of its appeal.

Please provide Landmark with an update within ten (10) days from your receipt of this correspondence.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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