CIVIL COVER SHEET

JS-44 (Rev. 11/2020 DC)										
I. (a) PLAINTIFFS			DEFENDANTS							
JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.			U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY							
(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF (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 (FIRMNAME, ADDRESS	S, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER)	ATTORNEYS (IF KNOWN)								
James F. Peterson Judicial Watch, Inc. 425 Third Street SW, Suite 800 Washington, DC 20024 Tel: (202) 646-5172		G								
II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (PLACE AN x IN ONE BOX ONLY)		III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (PLACE AN X IN ONE BOX FOR PLAINTIFF AND ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT) FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY!								
O 1 U.S. Government O 3 Fee	deral Question	tizen of this	PTF	DFT	Incorpor	ated or Principal Place	ptf O 4	DFT O 4		
Defendant (In	dicate Citizenship of	tizen of Ano	ther State O	2 O 2	Incorpor	ated and Principal Place ess in Another State	O 5	O ⁵		
Pa		tizen or Subj oreign Count		3 03	Foreign 1	Nation	O 6	O 6		
IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT										
(Place an X in one categ	ory, A-N, that best represent	ts your Ca	use of Action a	nd <u>one</u> in a	a corresp	onding Nature of Sui	it)			
	Personal Injury/ lalpractice	O C. Administrative Agency Review			O D. Temporary Restraining Order/Preliminary Injunction					
	151 Medicare Act Social Security 861 HIA (1395ff) 862 Black Lung (923) 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) 864 SSID Title XVI 865 RSI (405(g)) Other Statutes 891 Agricultural Acts 893 Environmental Matters 890 Other Statutory Actions (If Administrative Agency is Iity				Any nature of suit from any category may be selected for this category of case assignment. *(If Antitrust, then A governs)*					
O E. General Civil (Other)	OR	0	F. Pro Se		Tivil					
Real PropertyBankruptcy210 Land Condemnation422 Appeal 28 USC220 Foreclosure423 Withdrawal 28 USC230 Rent, Lease & Ejectment423 Withdrawal 28 USC240 Torts to Land535 Death Penalty245 Tort Product Liability535 Death Penalty290 All Other Real Property550 Civil RightsPersonal Property550 Civil Detainee - 0371 Truth in Lending560 Civil Detainee - 0380 Other Personal Propertyof Confinement380 Other Personal Property820 CopyrightsProduct Liability830 Patent840 Trademark880 Defend Trade Se 2016 (DTSA)		2 157 defendant) B 71 IRS-Third Party 26 USC 7609 Forfeiture/Penalty 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 690 Other Other Statutes 375 False Claims Act 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a)) 1 New 400 State Reapportionment 430 Banks & Banking 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc		26 USC izure of 2 881 t C onment g	 465 Other Immigration Actions 470 Racketeer Influenced & Corrupt Organization 480 Consumer Credit 485 Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA) 490 Cable/Satellite TV 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange 896 Arbitration 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes 890 Other Statutory Actions (if not administrative agency review or Privacy Act) 					

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 ○ G. Habeas Corpus/ 2255 □ 530 Habeas Corpus – General □ 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence □ 463 Habeas Corpus – Alien Detainee 	 H. Employment Discrimination 442 Civil Rights – Employment (criteria: race, gender/sex, national origin, discrimination, disability, age, religion, retaliation) 	 I. FOIA/Privacy Act 895 Freedom of Information Act 890 Other Statutory Actions (if Privacy Act) 	 J. Student Loan 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (excluding veterans) 					
 K. Labor/ERISA (non-employment) 710 Fair Labor Standards Act 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations 740 Labor Railway Act 751 Family and Medical Leave Act 790 Other Labor Litigation 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act 	 *(If pro se, select this deck)* L. Other Civil Rights (non-employment) 441 Voting (if not Voting Rights Act) 443 Housing/Accommodations 440 Other Civil Rights 445 Americans w/Disabilities – Employment 446 Americans w/Disabilities – Other 448 Education 	 *(If pro se, select this deck)* M. Contract 110 Insurance 120 Marine 130 Miller Act 140 Negotiable Instrument 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits 160 Stockholder's Suits 190 Other Contracts 195 Contract Product Liability 196 Franchise 	 N. Three-Judge Court 441 Civil Rights – Voting (if Voting Rights Act) 					
V. ORIGIN O 1 Original Proceeding O 2 Removed from State Court O 3 Remanded from Appellate Court O 4 Reinstated or Reopened Court O 5 Transferred from another district (specify) O 6 Multi-district Litigation District Judge from Mag. Judge O 8 Multi-district								
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE.) 5 U.S.C. Sec. 552; failure to produce records VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23 DEMAND S JURY DEMAND: Check YES only if demanded in complaint YES								
COMPLAINT ACTION UNDERF.R.C.P. 23 JURY DEMAND: YES NO X VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY (See instruction) YES NO If yes, please complete related case form DATE: May 14, 2024 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD /s/ James F. Peterson								

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET JS-44 Authority for Civil Cover Sheet

The JS-44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replaces nor supplements the filings and services of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. Consequently, a civil cover sheet is submitted to the Clerk of Court for each civil complaint filed. Listed below are tips for completing the civil cover sheet. These tips coincide with the Roman Numerals on the cover sheet.

- I. COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF/DEFENDANT (b) County of residence: Use 11001 to indicate plaintiff if resident of Washington, DC, 88888 if plaintiff is resident of United States but not Washington, DC, and 99999 if plaintiff is outside the United States.
- III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES: This section is completed <u>only</u> if diversity of citizenship was selected as the Basis of Jurisdiction under Section II.
- IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT: The assignment of a judge to your case will depend on the category you select that best represents the <u>primary</u> cause of action found in your complaint. You may select only <u>one</u> category. You <u>must</u> also select <u>one</u> corresponding nature of suit found under the category of the case.
- VI. CAUSE OF ACTION: Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of the primary cause.
- VIII. RELATED CASE(S), IF ANY: If you indicated that there is a related case, you must complete a related case form, which may be obtained from the Clerk's Office.

Because of the need for accurate and complete information, you should ensure the accuracy of the information provided prior to signing the form.