

**U.S. District Court
Eastern District of Michigan (Detroit)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:20-cv-12062-LVP-DRG**

LinTech Global, Inc. v. Federal Aviation Administration
Assigned to: District Judge Linda V. Parker
Referred to: Magistrate Judge David R. Grand
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 07/31/2020
Date Terminated: 03/30/2024
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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07/31/2020	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT filed by LinTech Global, Inc. against Federal Aviation Administration. Plaintiff requests summons issued. Receipt No: AMIEDC-7961280 – Fee: \$ 400. County of 1st Plaintiff: Oakland – County Where Action Arose: Oakland – County of 1st Defendant: USA. [Previously dismissed case: No] [Possible companion case(s): USDC Eastern District of Michigan, 19-cv-11600, Judge Linda V. Parker] (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1. Subpoena to FAA, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2. FAA letter dated 2/28/20, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3. FAA letter dated 3/19/20, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 4. Letter to FAA dated 4/7/20, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 5. FAA letter dated 4/24/20, # <u>7</u> Exhibit 6. Emails correspondence with the FAA, # <u>8</u> Exhibit 7. Letter from FAA dated 5/13/20, # <u>9</u> Exhibit 8. Letter from FAA dated 7/20/20, # <u>10</u> Exhibit 9. Deposition subpoenas) (Boutrous, James) (Entered: 07/31/2020)
07/31/2020	<u>2</u>	STATEMENT of DISCLOSURE of CORPORATE AFFILIATIONS and FINANCIAL INTEREST by LinTech Global, Inc. (Boutrous, James) (Entered: 07/31/2020)
07/31/2020	<u>3</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Mark William Steiner on behalf of LinTech Global, Inc.. (Steiner, Mark) (Entered: 07/31/2020)
07/31/2020	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS Issued for *Federal Aviation Administration* (DWor) (Entered: 07/31/2020)
07/31/2020	<u>5</u>	SUMMONS Issued for the United States Attorney and the Office of the Attorney General. (DWor) (Entered: 07/31/2020)
07/31/2020		A United States Magistrate Judge of this Court is available to conduct all proceedings in this civil action in accordance with 28 U.S.C. 636c and FRCP 73. The Notice, Consent, and Reference of a Civil Action to a Magistrate Judge form is available for download at http://www.mied.uscourts.gov (DWor) (Entered: 07/31/2020)
08/03/2020	<u>6</u>	ORDER REASSIGNING CASE from District Judge Bernard A. Friedman to District Judge Linda V. Parker. (NAhm) (Entered: 08/03/2020)
09/11/2020	<u>7</u>	ANSWER to Complaint with Affirmative Defenses by Federal Aviation Administration. (Toomey, Zak) (Entered: 09/11/2020)
09/14/2020	<u>8</u>	NOTICE TO APPEAR BY TELEPHONE: Scheduling Conference set for 10/15/2020 at 11:30 AM before District Judge Linda V. Parker (RLou) (Entered: 09/14/2020)
09/14/2020		RESET CONFERENCE ***TIME CHANGE ONLY***: TELEPHONIC Scheduling Conference RESET for 10/15/2020 at 11:00 AM before District Judge Linda V. Parker (RLou) (Entered: 09/14/2020)
10/12/2020	<u>9</u>	DISCOVERY plan jointly filed pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26(f) (Boutrous, James) (Entered: 10/12/2020)
10/15/2020		Minute Entry for proceedings before District Judge Linda V. Parker: Telephonic Scheduling Conference held on 10/15/2020. Disposition: No Scheduling Order dates were issued. Counsel shall try to work out the issues that were discussed during the call. The Court will set a telephonic status conference date to find out if issues have been resolved and set Scheduling Order dates. (Court Reporter: None Present, Not on the Record) (RLou) (Entered: 10/15/2020)
10/15/2020	<u>10</u>	NOTICE TO APPEAR BY TELEPHONE: Status Conference set for 10/29/2020 at 10:00 AM before District Judge Linda V. Parker (RLou) (Entered: 10/15/2020)
10/20/2020		Reset Conference ***TIME CHANGE ONLY***: TELEPHONIC Status Conference RESET for 10/29/2020 at 11:30 AM before District Judge Linda V. Parker (RLou) (Entered: 10/20/2020)
10/29/2020		Minute Entry for proceedings before District Judge Linda V. Parker: Telephonic Status Conference held on 10/29/2020. Disposition: Amended Complaint due by November 12, 2020. (Court Reporter: None Present, Not on the Record) (RLou) (Entered: 10/29/2020)
10/29/2020	<u>11</u>	NOTICE TO APPEAR BY TELEPHONE: Status Conference set for 12/3/2020 at 10:00 AM before District Judge Linda V. Parker (RLou) (Entered: 10/29/2020)

11/12/2020	<u>12</u>	AMENDED COMPLAINT <i>First Amended Complaint and Certificate of Service</i> filed by LinTech Global, Inc. against Federal Aviation Administration. NO NEW PARTIES ADDED. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1. Subpoena to FAA, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2. FAA letter dated 2/28/20, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3. FAA letter dated 3/19/20, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 4. Letter to FAA dated 4/7/20, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 5. FAA letter dated 4/24/20, # <u>7</u> Exhibit 6. Email correspondence with the FAA, # <u>8</u> Exhibit 7. Letter from FAA dated 5/13/20, # <u>9</u> Exhibit 8. Letter from FAA dated 7/20/20, # <u>10</u> Exhibit 9. Letter from FAA dated 8/25/20, # <u>11</u> Exhibit 10. Deposition Subpoenas, # <u>12</u> Exhibit 11. Email correspondence with the FAA, # <u>13</u> Exhibit 12. Letter to FAA dated 9/21/20, # <u>14</u> Exhibit 13. Email correspondence with the FAA) (Boutrous, James) (Entered: 11/12/2020)
11/25/2020	<u>13</u>	ANSWER to Amended Complaint with Affirmative Defenses by Federal Aviation Administration. (Toomey, Zak) (Entered: 11/25/2020)
12/02/2020		Reset Conference: TELEPHONIC Status Conference RESET for 1/14/2021 at 12:00 PM before District Judge Linda V. Parker. PLEASE USE THE SAME CONFERENCE NUMBER THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE <u>11</u> NOTICE TO APPEAR. (RLou) (Entered: 12/02/2020)
01/14/2021	<u>14</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by R.J. Cronkhite on behalf of All Plaintiffs. (Cronkhite, R.J.) (Entered: 01/14/2021)
01/14/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings before District Judge Linda V. Parker: Telephonic Status Conference held on 1/14/2021. (Court Reporter: None Present, Not on the Record) (RLou) (Entered: 01/14/2021)
01/14/2021	<u>15</u>	NOTICE TO APPEAR BY TELEPHONE: Status Conference set for 1/21/2021 at 2:30 PM before District Judge Linda V. Parker (RLou) (Entered: 01/14/2021)
01/19/2021	<u>16</u>	STIPULATED ORDER for Substitution of Counsel. Signed by District Judge Linda V. Parker. (RLou) (Entered: 01/19/2021)
01/20/2021	<u>17</u>	SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF re <u>15</u> Notice to Appear, Status Conference filed by Federal Aviation Administration. (Toomey, Zak) (Entered: 01/20/2021)
01/21/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings before District Judge Linda V. Parker: Telephonic Status Conference held on 1/21/2021. (Court Reporter: None Present, Not on the Record) (RLou) (Entered: 01/21/2021)
01/21/2021	<u>18</u>	NOTICE TO APPEAR BY TELEPHONE: Status Conference set for 1/28/2021 at 12:30 PM before District Judge Linda V. Parker (RLou) (Entered: 01/21/2021)
01/28/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings before District Judge Linda V. Parker: Telephonic Status Conference held on 1/28/2021. Disposition: Counsel shall jointly email the Court's Case Manager on 2/5/2021, to inform the Court of the timing issue that was discussed during today's call. (Court Reporter: None Present, Not on the Record) (RLou) (Entered: 01/28/2021)
11/15/2021	<u>19</u>	DISCOVERY plan jointly filed pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26(f) (Toomey, Zak) (Entered: 11/15/2021)
05/04/2022	<u>20</u>	NOTICE TO APPEAR BY TELEPHONE: Scheduling Conference set for 6/9/2022 10:30 AM before District Judge Linda V. Parker. (AFla) (Entered: 05/04/2022)
06/09/2022		Minute Entry for telephonic proceedings before District Judge Linda V. Parker: Telephonic Status Conference held on 6/9/2022. Plaintiff's counsel will email the Court's case manager no later than June 20, 2022 to advise whether a response will be filed to Defendant's supplemental brief or if the Court should issue a summary judgment briefing schedule. (Court Reporter: None Present, Not on the Record) (AFla) (Entered: 06/09/2022)
06/20/2022	<u>21</u>	MEMORANDUM re <u>17</u> Supplemental Brief by All Plaintiffs (Cronkhite, R.J.) (Entered: 06/20/2022)
06/20/2022	<u>22</u>	INDEX of Exhibits re <u>21</u> Memorandum by LinTech Global, Inc. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 – Skype Business Communications Between Reddygari and FAA) (Cronkhite, R.J.) (Entered: 06/20/2022)

06/27/2022	<u>23</u>	SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF re <u>17</u> Supplemental Brief, <u>21</u> Memorandum, <u>22</u> Exhibit Index <i>REPLY</i> filed by Federal Aviation Administration. (Toomey, Zak) (Entered: 06/27/2022)
03/21/2023	<u>24</u>	ORDER REGARDING <u>17</u> <u>21</u> SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEFS AND SETTING SUMMARY JUDGMENT SCHEDULE, (Dispositive Motion Cut-off set for 5/1/2023). Signed by District Judge Linda V. Parker. (AFla) (Entered: 03/21/2023)
03/24/2023	<u>25</u>	STIPULATED ORDER FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, (Dispositive Motion Cut-off set for 6/1/2023). Signed by District Judge Linda V. Parker. (AFla) (Entered: 03/24/2023)
05/26/2023	<u>26</u>	STIPULATED ORDER FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, (Dispositive Motion Cut-off set for 7/3/2023). Signed by District Judge Linda V. Parker. (AFla) (Entered: 05/26/2023)
07/03/2023	<u>27</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by Federal Aviation Administration. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A – Declaration of Wendy Bell, # <u>3</u> Exhibit B – Administrative Record) (Toomey, Zak) (Entered: 07/03/2023)
07/03/2023	<u>28</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by LinTech Global, Inc.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 – February 16, 2021 Letter from FAA to Counsel for LinTech, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2 – Skype Transcripts between Reddygari and FAA Personnel Yezzo, Perraut, and Navarro) (Cronkhite, R.J.) (Entered: 07/03/2023)
07/24/2023	<u>29</u>	RESPONSE to <u>27</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by LinTech Global, Inc.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1) (Cronkhite, R.J.) (Entered: 07/24/2023)
07/24/2023	<u>30</u>	RESPONSE to <u>28</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by Federal Aviation Administration. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 – Invoice, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2 – LinTech Settlement Demand, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3 – Cronkhite Email, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 4 – February 2021 Fee Estimate) (Toomey, Zak) (Entered: 07/24/2023)
08/07/2023	<u>31</u>	REPLY to Response re <u>28</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by LinTech Global, Inc.. (Cronkhite, R.J.) (Entered: 08/07/2023)
08/07/2023	<u>32</u>	REPLY to Response re <u>27</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by Federal Aviation Administration. (Toomey, Zak) (Entered: 08/07/2023)
01/26/2024	<u>33</u>	STIPULATED ORDER for substitution of counsel. Signed by District Judge Linda V. Parker. (DPer) (Entered: 01/26/2024)
03/30/2024	<u>34</u>	OPINION AND ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT'S <u>27</u> MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND DENYING PLAINTIFF'S <u>28</u> MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT Signed by District Judge Linda V. Parker. (AFla) (Entered: 03/30/2024)
03/30/2024	<u>35</u>	JUDGMENT Signed by District Judge Linda V. Parker. (AFla) (Entered: 03/30/2024)