

**U.S. District Court
Western District of Wisconsin (Madison)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:23-cv-00582-wmc**

Town of Lac Du Flambeau v. U.S. Department of the Interior et al
Assigned to: District Judge William M. Conley
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Anita M. Boor
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/24/2023
Date Terminated: 05/31/2024
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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08/24/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants. (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number AWIWDC-3295013.), filed by Town of Lac Du Flambeau (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A – FOIA.gov, # <u>2</u> JS-44 Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons) (Kowalkowski, Frank) Modified on 8/24/2023: Deleted duplicate parties and addresses. Added exhibit description. Spoke with counsel and assistant. (lak) (Entered: 08/24/2023)
08/25/2023	<u>2</u>	Corporate Disclosure Statement by Plaintiff Town of Lac Du Flambeau. (Kowalkowski, Frank) (Entered: 08/25/2023)
08/25/2023		Case directly assigned to District Judge William M. Conley and Magistrate Judge Stephen L. Crocker. Related cases 23cv355 and 23cv541. (lak) (Entered: 08/25/2023)
08/25/2023		Standard attachments for Judge William M. Conley required to be served on all parties with summons or waiver of service: <u>NORTC</u> , <u>Corporate Disclosure Statement</u> . (lak) (Entered: 08/25/2023)
08/25/2023	<u>3</u>	Summons Issued as to Defendants. (lak) (Entered: 08/25/2023)
09/05/2023	<u>4</u>	Certificate of Service by Plaintiff Town of Lac Du Flambeau. (Kowalkowski, Frank) (Entered: 09/05/2023)
09/12/2023		Action Request: Counsel for plaintiff requested to promptly file proof of service / copy of certified return mail receipts referenced in <u>4</u> Certificate of Service. (nln) (Entered: 09/12/2023)
09/13/2023	<u>5</u>	Acknowledgment of Service Executed as to <u>4</u> Certificate of Service, Action Request <i>Certified Mail Return Receipts</i> filed by Plaintiff Town of Lac Du Flambeau. (Kowalkowski, Frank) (Entered: 09/13/2023)
09/13/2023	<u>6</u>	Notice of Appearance filed by Hillary Hoffman for Defendants Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior. (Hoffman, Hillary) (Entered: 09/13/2023)
09/27/2023	<u>7</u>	ANSWER by Defendants Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior. (Bianchi, Albert) (Entered: 09/27/2023)
10/03/2023		Set Telephone Pretrial or Status Conference: Telephone Pretrial Conference set for 11/2/2023 at 01:30 PM before Magistrate Judge Stephen L. Crocker. Counsel for Plaintiff responsible for setting up the call to chambers at (608) 264-5153. [<u>Standing Order Governing Preliminary Pretrial Conference</u> attached] (acd) (Entered: 10/03/2023)
10/30/2023	<u>8</u>	Joint Report of Rule 26(f) Planning Meeting (Kowalkowski, Frank) (Entered: 10/30/2023)
11/02/2023		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Stephen L. Crocker: Telephone Preliminary Pretrial Conference held on 11/2/2023 [:10] (cak) (Entered: 11/02/2023)
11/02/2023	<u>9</u>	** TEXT ONLY ORDER ** At the November 2, 2023 telephonic preliminary pretrial conference, the court set the schedule in consultation with the parties: November 17, 2023 is the government's deadline to disclose its documents responsive to plaintiff's FOIA request. January 19, 2024 is the deadline for the government to produce its <i>Vaughn</i> index. Any amendments to the pleadings must be by leave of court. Dispositive motions must be filed not later than March 29, 2024, with 21/10 response/reply briefing. The court will hold a bench trial on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., preceded by a final pretrial conference on September 3, 2024, for which submissions are due not later than August 26, 2024. Signed by Magistrate Judge Stephen L. Crocker on 11/02/2023. (nln) (Entered: 11/02/2023)
11/02/2023	<u>10</u>	Summary Judgment Procedures for District Judge William M. Conley (nln) (Entered: 11/02/2023)

03/19/2024	<u>11</u>	Joint Motion for Extension of Time <i>to File Dispositive Motions</i> by Plaintiff Town of Lac Du Flambeau. (Kowalkowski, Frank) (Entered: 03/19/2024)
03/20/2024	12	** TEXT ONLY ORDER ** ORDER granting <u>11</u> Motion for Extension of Time <i>to File Dispositive Motions</i> . Dispositive motions are due May 3, 2024, responses by May 24, 2024, replies by June 3, 2024. Signed by District Judge William M. Conley on 3/20/2024. (rks) (Entered: 03/20/2024)
04/30/2024	<u>13</u>	Joint Motion for Extension of Time <i>to File Dispositive Motions</i> by Plaintiff Town of Lac Du Flambeau. (Kowalkowski, Frank) (Entered: 04/30/2024)
04/30/2024	14	** TEXT ONLY ORDER ** ORDER granting <u>13</u> Joint Motion for Extension of Time. Dispositive Motions due 5/17/24 with responses due 6/7/24 and replies due 6/17/24. Signed by District Judge William M. Conley on 4/30/24. (jat) (Entered: 04/30/2024)
05/07/2024		Judge update in case. Case now assigned to Magistrate Judge Anita M. Boor. Case no longer assigned to Magistrate Judge Stephen L. Crocker. (sdl) (Entered: 05/07/2024)
05/15/2024	<u>15</u>	Joint Motion for Extension of Time <i>to File Dispositive Motions</i> by Plaintiff Town of Lac Du Flambeau. (Kowalkowski, Frank) (Entered: 05/15/2024)
05/15/2024	16	** TEXT ONLY ORDER ** ORDER granting <u>15</u> Motion for Extension of Time <i>to File Dispositive Motions</i> . Dispositive Motions due 5/31/2024. Signed by Magistrate Judge Anita M. Boor on 5/15/2024. (rks) (Entered: 05/15/2024)
05/30/2024	<u>17</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by Plaintiff Town of Lac Du Flambeau. (Kowalkowski, Frank) (Entered: 05/30/2024)
05/31/2024		Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1), this case is closed without further order of the court. (rks) (Entered: 05/31/2024)