

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:24-cv-00231-JEB**

WHITE COAT WASTE PROJECT v. UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Assigned to: Chief Judge James E. Boasberg
Lead case: [1:24-cv-00103-JEB](#)
Member case: ([View Member Case](#))
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 01/25/2024
Date Terminated: 04/25/2024
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: Federal Question

Plaintiff**WHITE COAT WASTE PROJECT**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
01/25/2024	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Filing fee \$ 405 receipt number ADCDC-10645201) filed by WHITE COAT WASTE PROJECT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons Proposed Summons to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, # <u>3</u> Summons Proposed Summons to U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons Proposed Sumons to USAO for D.C.)(Strugar, Matthew) (Attachment 1 replaced on 1/26/2024) (zcb). (Entered: 01/25/2024)
01/25/2024	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by WHITE COAT WASTE PROJECT (Strugar, Matthew) (Entered: 01/25/2024)
01/26/2024		Case Assigned to Judge Tanya S. Chutkan. (zcb) (Entered: 01/26/2024)
01/26/2024	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zcb) (Entered: 01/26/2024)
03/05/2024	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kaitlin Kerry Eckrote on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 03/05/2024)

03/05/2024	<u>5</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 03/05/2024)
03/08/2024		MINUTE ORDER: GRANTING Defendant's <u>5</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. Defendant's response to the Complaint is due April 22, 2024. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 3/8/2024. (lca) (Entered: 03/08/2024)
04/22/2024	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.(Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 04/22/2024)
04/23/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Before the court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of LCvR 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil procedure appear to be inapplicable. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and propose a schedule for proceeding in this matter. The schedule shall address the status of Plaintiff's FOIA requests, the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA requests, the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff, whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case, whether a Vaughn index will be required in this case, whether and when either party anticipates filing a dispositive motion, and any other pertinent issues. The parties shall file a joint status report that addresses these issues no later than 5/22/2024. The joint status report shall be accompanied by a proposed order. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 4/23/2024. (lca) (Entered: 04/23/2024)
04/25/2024	<u>7</u>	Case directly reassigned to Chief Judge James E. Boasberg as there is an earlier related case. Judge Tanya S. Chutkan is no longer assigned to the case. (rj) (Entered: 04/25/2024)
04/25/2024		ENTERED IN ERROR.....Set/Reset Deadlines: Transfer by 5/6/2024. (znbn) Modified on 4/25/2024 (znbn). (Entered: 04/25/2024)
04/25/2024		Cases Consolidated. This case has been consolidated with case 24cv103 pursuant to Minute Order filed 4/25/2024. From this date forward, all pleadings shall be filed ONLY in the lead case, 24cv103. Parties are advised NOT to elect the SPREAD TEXT option when filing in ECF, as this will result in repetitive docketing. (znmw) (Entered: 05/02/2024)