## **U.S. District Court District of Connecticut (New Haven)** CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:21-cv-00691-AWT

Hathaway v. U.S. Department of State Date Filed: 05/19/2021 Assigned to: Judge Alvin W. Thompson Jury Demand: None

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

**Information Act** 

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff** 

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
05/19/2021	1	COMPLAINT against U.S. Department of State (Filing fee \$402 receipt number ACTDC-6516047.), filed by Oona A. Hathaway. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Exhibit A, # 2 Exhibit Exhibit B, # 3 Exhibit Exhibit C)(Schulz, David) (Entered: 05/19/2021)
05/19/2021		Request for Clerk to issue summons as to U.S. Department of State. (Schulz, David) (Entered: 05/19/2021)
05/19/2021		Judge Alvin W. Thompson added. (Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 05/20/2021)
05/19/2021	2	ENTERED IN ERROR – Order on Pretrial Deadlines: Amended Pleadings due by 7/18/2021, Discovery due by 11/18/2021, Dispositive Motions due by 12/23/2021.

09/28/2021	16	ORDER: The plaintiff's motion for status conference (ECF No. 15) is hereby GRANTED. A telephonic status conference is scheduled for October 6, 2021 at 12:30 p.m. It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 09/28/2021. (Ghinaglia Socorro, F.) (Entered: 09/28/2021)
09/17/2021	<u>15</u>	MOTION for Status Conference by Oona A. Hathaway. (Schulz, David) (Entered: 09/17/2021)
07/14/2021	<u>14</u>	ANSWER to 1 Complaint with Affirmative Defenses by U.S. Department of State.(Larson, John) (Entered: 07/14/2021)
06/14/2021		Answer deadline updated for U.S. Attorney General to 7/14/2021; U.S. Department of State to 7/14/2021; United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut to 7/14/2021. (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 06/14/2021)
06/14/2021	13	ORDER: Consent Motion for Extension of Time until July 14, 2021 to Respond to the Complaint (ECF No. 11) is hereby GRANTED. It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 6/14/2021. (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 06/14/2021)
06/13/2021	<u>12</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by John W. Larson on behalf of U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Department of State, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut (Larson, John) (Entered: 06/13/2021)
06/13/2021	11	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time until July 14, 2014 to Respond to <u>1</u> Complaint by U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Department of State, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut. (Larson, John) (Entered: 06/13/2021)
05/24/2021	<u>10</u>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Oona A. Hathaway. U.S. Attorney General served on 5/24/2021, answer due 6/23/2021. (Schulz, David) (Entered: 05/24/2021)
05/24/2021	9	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Oona A. Hathaway. United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut served on 5/24/2021, answer due 6/23/2021. (Schulz, David) (Entered: 05/24/2021)
05/24/2021	8	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Oona A. Hathaway. U.S. Department of State served on 5/24/2021, answer due 6/23/2021. (Schulz, David) (Entered: 05/24/2021)
05/21/2021	7	ELECTRONIC SUMMONS ISSUED in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 and LR 4 as to *U.S. Department of State* with answer to complaint due within *30* days. Attorney *David A. Schulz* *Ballard Spahr LLP* *1675 Broadway, 19th Floor* *New York, NY 10019*. (Agati, Kathryn) (Entered: 05/21/2021)
05/21/2021		Docket Entry Correction – incorrect answer deadline listed on <u>6</u> Electronic Summons Issued. Corrected summons to be issued. (Agati, Kathryn) (Entered: 05/21/2021)
05/21/2021		Docket Entry Correction – 2 Order on Pretrial Deadlines was entered on the case in error. (Agati, Kathryn) (Entered: 05/21/2021)
05/20/2021	<u>6</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR – ELECTRONIC SUMMONS ISSUED in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 and LR 4 as to *U.S. Department of State* with answer to complaint due within *60* days. Attorney *David A. Schulz* *Ballard Spahr LLP* *1675 Broadway, 19th Floor* *New York, NY 10019*. (Agati, Kathryn) Modified on 5/21/2021 to enter in error (Agati, Kathryn). (Entered: 05/20/2021)
05/20/2021	<u>5</u>	NOTICE TO COUNSEL/SELF–REPRESENTED PARTIES: Counsel or self–represented parties initiating or removing this action are responsible for serving all parties with attached documents and copies of 1 Complaint filed by Oona A. Hathaway, 2 Order on Pretrial Deadlines, 4 Standing Protective Order, 3 Electronic Filing Order.  Signed by Clerk on 5/20/2021. (Agati, Kathryn) (Entered: 05/20/2021)
05/19/2021	4	STANDING PROTECTIVE ORDER. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 5/19/2021. (Agati, Kathryn) (Entered: 05/20/2021)
05/19/2021	<u>3</u>	ELECTRONIC FILING ORDER FOR COUNSEL – PLEASE ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH COURTESY COPY REQUIREMENTS IN THIS ORDER. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 5/19/2021. (Agati, Kathryn) (Entered: 05/20/2021)
		Signed by Clerk on 5/19/2021. (Agati, Kathryn) Modified on 5/21/2021 to enter in error (Agati, Kathryn). (Entered: 05/20/2021)

09/28/2021	17	NOTICE OF E-FILED CALENDAR: THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE COUNSEL/THE PARTIES WILL RECEIVE. ALL PERSONS ENTERING THE COURTHOUSE MUST PRESENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION. Telephonic Status Conference set for 10/06/2021 at 12:30 p.m. before Judge Alvin W. Thompson. Dial—in instructions have been emailed to counsel of record. Anyone wishing to observe this proceeding should contact chambers at 860–240–3224 to request the dial—in instructions. (Ghinaglia Socorro, F.) (Entered: 09/28/2021)
10/05/2021	<u>18</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear as Law Student Interns <i>Daniel Betancourt and Sruthi Venkatachalam</i> by Oona A. Hathaway. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A)(Schulz, David) (Entered: 10/05/2021)
10/05/2021	19	NOTICE OF E–FILED CALENDAR: THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE COUNSEL/THE PARTIES WILL RECEIVE. ALL PERSONS ENTERING THE COURTHOUSE MUST PRESENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION. <i>RESET FROM 10/06/2021 at 12:30 p.m.</i> Telephonic Status Conference set for 10/06/2021 at 12:00 p.m. before Judge Alvin W. Thompson. Dial—in instructions have been emailed to counsel of record. Anyone wishing to observe this proceeding should contact chambers at 860–240–3224 to request the dial—in instructions. (Ghinaglia Socorro, F.) (Entered: 10/05/2021)
10/06/2021	20	ORDER: The Motion for Leave for Law Student Interns Daniel Betancourt and Sruthi Venkatachalam to Appear (ECF No. 18) is hereby GRANTED. It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 10/06/2021. (Ghinaglia Socorro, F.) (Entered: 10/06/2021)
10/06/2021	21	Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Alvin W. Thompson. A telephonic status conference was held on 10/06/2021. The court will hold a hearing by Zoom at a later date. Total time: 15 minutes. (Court Reporter Thompson, C.) (Ghinaglia Socorro, F.) (Entered: 10/06/2021)
02/11/2022	22	NOTICE OF E-FILED CALENDAR: THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE COUNSEL/THE PARTIES WILL RECEIVE. ALL PERSONS ENTERING THE COURTHOUSE MUST PRESENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION. Status Conference set for 2/11/2022 at 3:00 p.m. before Judge Alvin W. Thompson. The Status Conference will be conducted via Zoom. The video link is https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1601520340?pwd=WXRPVEU0NGNrWWVTLzJvV3dpSktWZz09 and call—in number is +1 (646) 828–7666.
		Meeting ID: 160 152 0340
		Passcode: 035354
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02/11/2022	23	Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Alvin W. Thompson: A status conference was held on 02/11/2022 via Zoom. A follow–up status conference was set for February 28, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom. Total Time: 30 minutes. (Ghinaglia Socorro, F.) (Entered: 02/11/2022)
02/28/2022	24	NOTICE OF E–FILED CALENDAR: THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE COUNSEL/THE PARTIES WILL RECEIVE. ALL PERSONS ENTERING THE COURTHOUSE MUST PRESENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION. Status Conference set for 02/28/2022 at 11:00 a.m. before Judge Alvin W. Thompson. The Status Conference will be conducted via Zoom. The video link is https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1614919762?pwd=K3BZblA1SEVjSkFEbHc5VzNmN0Nmdz09 and call—in number is +1 (646) 828–7666.Meeting ID: 161 491 9762Passcode: 215835Please note: Persons granted remote access to proceedings are reminded of the general prohibition against photographing, recording, screenshots, streaming, and rebroadcasting in any form, of court proceedings. The Judicial Conference of the United States, which governs the practices of the federal courts, has prohibited it. Violation of these prohibitions may result in sanctions, including removal of court issued media credentials, restricted entry to future hearings, denial of entry to future hearings, or any other sanctions deemed necessary by the court. (Ghinaglia Socorro, F.) (Entered: 02/28/2022)
02/28/2022		NOTICE: Based on input from the plaintiff, the status conference in this matter set for 02/28/2022 at 11:00 a.m. was cancelled. (Ghinaglia Socorro, F.) (Entered: 02/28/2022)

09/11/2023	25	NOTICE OF E-FILED CALENDAR: THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE COUNSEL/THE PARTIES WILL RECEIVE. ALL PERSONS ENTERING THE COURTHOUSE MUST PRESENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION. Telephonic Status Conference set for 9/20/2023 11:00 AM before Judge Alvin W. Thompson. Dial—in instructions have been emailed to counsel of record. Anyone wishing to observe this proceeding should contact chambers at 860–240–3224 to request the dial—in instructions. (Frazier, T.) (Entered: 09/11/2023)
09/20/2023	26	Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Alvin W. Thompson: A status conference was held via Zoom on September 20, 2023. A Joint Status Report is due on or before November 8, 2023. See also Hathaway v. U.S. Department of Defense, (3:21-cv-1009-AWT). Total Time: 09 minutes. (Court Reporter Alicia Cayode Kyles) (Eagan, O.) (Entered: 09/21/2023)
09/20/2023		Set Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/8/2023 (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 09/22/2023)
11/08/2023	<u>27</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. Department of State. (Larson, John) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/09/2023	28	ORDER: The Joint Status Report (ECF No. <u>27</u> ) is hereby APPROVED. The parties shall file a joint status report by <u>December 8, 2023</u> . It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 11/9/23. (Eagan, O.) (Entered: 11/09/2023)
11/09/2023		Set Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/8/2023 (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 11/14/2023)
12/07/2023	<u>29</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Department of State, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut. (Larson, John) (Entered: 12/07/2023)
12/08/2023	30	ORDER: The Joint Status Report (ECF No. <u>29</u> ) is hereby APPROVED. The parties shall file a joint status report by <u>February 14, 2024</u> . It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 12/8/23. (Eagan, O.) (Entered: 12/08/2023)
12/08/2023		Set Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/14/2024 (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 12/11/2023)
02/14/2024	<u>31</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Department of State, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut. (Larson, John) (Entered: 02/14/2024)
02/28/2024	32	ORDER: The Joint Status Report (ECF No. <u>31</u> ) is hereby APPROVED. The parties shall file a joint status report by <u>April 17, 2024</u> . It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 2/28/24. (Eagan, O.) (Entered: 02/28/2024)
02/28/2024		Set Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/17/2024 (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 03/01/2024)
04/17/2024	<u>33</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Department of State, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut. (Larson, John) (Entered: 04/17/2024)
05/02/2024	34	ORDER: The Joint Status Report (ECF No. <u>33</u> ) is hereby APPROVED. The parties shall file a joint status report by <u>June 17, 2024</u> . It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 5/2/24. (Eagan, O.) (Entered: 05/02/2024)
05/02/2024		Set Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 6/17/2024 (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 05/03/2024)
06/17/2024	<u>35</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Department of State, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut. (Larson, John) (Entered: 06/17/2024)
06/18/2024	36	ORDER: The Joint Status Report (ECF No. <u>35</u> ) is hereby APPROVED. The parties shall file a joint status report by <u>August 26, 2024</u> . It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 6/18/24. (Eagan, O.) (Entered: 06/18/2024)
06/18/2024		Set Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 8/26/2024 (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 06/20/2024)
08/26/2024	<u>37</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Department of State, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut. (Larson, John) (Entered: 08/26/2024)
08/27/2024	38	ORDER: The Joint Status Report (ECF No. <u>37</u> ) is hereby APPROVED. The parties shall file a joint status report by <u>October 25, 2024</u> . It is so ordered. Signed by Judge Alvin W. Thompson on 8/27/24. (Eagan, O.) (Entered: 08/27/2024)
08/27/2024		Set Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/25/2024 (Ferguson, L.) (Entered: 08/28/2024)