

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:21-cv-01662-CRC**

CITIZENS UNITED v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE Date Filed: 06/21/2021  
Assigned to: Judge Christopher R. Cooper Jury Demand: None  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
06/21/2021	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE ( Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-8542021) filed by CITIZENS UNITED. (Attachments: #

		<u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Exhibit, # <u>3</u> Summons to Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons to Dept of State, # <u>5</u> Summons to US Attorney)(Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 06/21/2021)
06/21/2021	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CITIZENS UNITED (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 06/21/2021)
06/21/2021		Case Assigned to Judge Christopher R. Cooper. (adh, ) (Entered: 06/21/2021)
06/21/2021	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(adh, ) (Entered: 06/21/2021)
07/15/2021	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Johnny Hillary Walker, III on behalf of All Defendants (Walker, Johnny) (Entered: 07/15/2021)
08/05/2021	<u>5</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Walker, Johnny) (Entered: 08/05/2021)
08/06/2021		MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall promptly confer and file a joint proposed schedule for briefing or disclosure by August 20, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 8/6/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 08/06/2021)
08/20/2021	<u>6</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Walker, Johnny) (Entered: 08/20/2021)
08/25/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>6</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by October 19, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 8/25/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 08/25/2021)
10/19/2021	<u>7</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Walker, Johnny) (Entered: 10/19/2021)
10/21/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>7</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by November 19, 2021. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/21/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 10/21/2021)
11/10/2021	<u>8</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by John Cuong Truong on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney Johnny Walker (Truong, John) (Entered: 11/10/2021)
11/19/2021	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Truong, John) (Entered: 11/19/2021)
11/22/2021		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by February 4, 2022. The next status report should indicate the number of potentially responsive records and an approximate date of completion of the defendant's review and production. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/22/2021. (lccrc1) (Entered: 11/22/2021)
02/04/2022	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Truong, John) (Entered: 02/04/2022)
02/07/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by April 4, 2022. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 2/7/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 02/07/2022)
04/04/2022	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Truong, John) (Entered: 04/04/2022)
04/05/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by June 4, 2022. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 4/5/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 04/05/2022)
06/03/2022	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Truong, John) (Entered: 06/03/2022)
06/08/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by August 4, 2022. Signed by Judge

		Christopher R. Cooper on 6/8/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 06/08/2022)
08/04/2022	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Truong, John) (Entered: 08/04/2022)
08/05/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by October 4, 2022. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 8/5/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 08/05/2022)
10/05/2022	<u>14</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File Joint Status Report</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Truong, John) (Entered: 10/05/2022)
10/05/2022	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Truong, John) (Entered: 10/05/2022)
10/06/2022		MINUTE ORDER: The Court grants Defendant's <u>14</u> Consent Motion for an Extension of Time Nunc Pro Tunc. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/6/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 10/06/2022)
10/06/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by December 5, 2022. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/6/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 10/06/2022)
11/11/2022	<u>16</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Christina O'Tousa on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney John Cuong Truong (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 11/11/2022)
12/05/2022	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 12/05/2022)
12/07/2022		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by March 6, 2023. The next status report should indicate the number of potentially responsive records remaining and an approximate date of completion of the defendant's review and production. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 12/7/2022. (lccrc1) (Entered: 12/07/2022)
03/06/2023	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 03/06/2023)
03/08/2023		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the parties' <u>18</u> Joint Status Report, the Court hereby orders that the parties appear for a Status Conference set for April 27, 2023 at 11:00 AM in Courtroom 27A (In Person) before Judge Christopher R. Cooper. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 3/8/2023. (lccrc1) (Entered: 03/08/2023)
04/13/2023	<u>19</u>	Consent MOTION to Modify <i>Status Conference Date</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 04/13/2023)
04/17/2023		MINUTE ORDER granting the <u>19</u> Consent Motion to Modify Status Conference Date. The status conference set for April 27, 2023 is hereby vacated and reset for May 3, 2023 at 2:00 PM in Courtroom 27A (In Person) before Judge Christopher R. Cooper. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 4/17/2023. (lccrc1) (Entered: 04/17/2023)
05/03/2023		Minute Entry for Status Conference held before Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 5/3/2023. Forthcoming Order. (Court Reporter: Lisa Moreira) (lsj) (Entered: 05/03/2023)
05/03/2023		MINUTE ORDER: The parties shall file a further joint status report by June 5, 2023. As discussed on the record at today's status conference, the status report should detail the parties' further narrowing efforts and positions concerning whether Defendant should modify its processing rate in this case. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 5/3/2023. (lccrc1) (Entered: 05/03/2023)
06/05/2023	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 06/05/2023)
06/07/2023		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>20</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by July 5, 2023. The next status report should describe the parties' further narrowing efforts. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 6/7/2023. (lccrc1) (Entered: 06/07/2023)

07/05/2023	<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 07/05/2023)
07/07/2023		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>21</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by August 4, 2023. The next status report should describe the parties' further narrowing efforts. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 7/7/2023. (lccrc1) (Entered: 07/07/2023)
08/04/2023	<u>22</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 08/04/2023)
08/09/2023		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>22</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by September 18, 2023. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 8/9/2023. (lccrc1) (Entered: 08/09/2023)
09/18/2023	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 09/18/2023)
09/21/2023		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>23</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by November 17, 2023. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 9/21/2023. (lccrc1) (Entered: 09/21/2023)
11/17/2023	<u>24</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 11/17/2023)
11/21/2023		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>24</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by January 16, 2024. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/21/2023. (lccrc1) (Entered: 11/21/2023)
01/16/2024	<u>25</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 01/16/2024)
01/18/2024		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>25</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by April 3, 2024. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 1/18/2024. (lccrc1) (Entered: 01/18/2024)
04/03/2024	<u>26</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 04/03/2024)
04/09/2024		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>26</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by July 2, 2024. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 4/9/2024. (lccrc1) (Entered: 04/09/2024)
07/02/2024	<u>27</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 07/02/2024)
07/05/2024		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>27</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties file a further joint status report by October 2, 2024, which shall include an estimated completion date for production. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 7/5/2024. (lccrc1) (Entered: 07/05/2024)