

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:21-cv-01991-DLF**

BROWN v. CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY et al
Assigned to: Judge Dabney L. Friedrich
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 07/21/2021
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
07/21/2021	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-8615977) filed by David Brown. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet Civil Cover Sheet – Brown v. CIA et al, # <u>2</u> Summons Summons – Defendant Central Intelligence Agency, # <u>3</u> Summons Summons – Defendant DOD, # <u>4</u> Summons Summons – Defendant ODNI, # <u>5</u> Summons Summons – Defendant DOJ, # <u>6</u> Summons Summons – USAO for District of Columbia, # <u>7</u> Summons Summons – United States Attorney General)(Lentini, Jerald) (Entered: 07/21/2021)
07/21/2021	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kelly Brian McClanahan on behalf of David Brown (McClanahan, Kelly) (Entered: 07/21/2021)
07/22/2021		Case Assigned to Judge Dabney L. Friedrich. (adh,) (Entered: 07/22/2021)
07/22/2021	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (6) Issued Electronically as to CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(adh,) (Entered: 07/22/2021)
07/23/2021	<u>4</u>	STANDARD ORDER for Civil Cases. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 23, 2021. (lcldf1) (Entered: 07/23/2021)
08/10/2021	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 8/3/2021. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 9/2/2021.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 7/29/21., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY served on 8/3/2021; DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE served on 8/3/2021; DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 7/29/2021; OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE served on 8/3/2021 (McClanahan, Kelly) (Entered: 08/10/2021)
08/27/2021	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Stephen DeGenaro on behalf of All Defendants (DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 08/27/2021)

08/27/2021	<u>7</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Respond to the Complaint</i> by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 08/27/2021)
09/01/2021		MINUTE ORDER granting the government's <u>7</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. Accordingly, the government shall answer or otherwise respond to the plaintiff's <u>1</u> Complaint on or before October 4, 2021. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 1, 2021. (lcldf1) (Entered: 09/01/2021)
09/01/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Answer due by 10/4/2021, (zjch) (Entered: 09/02/2021)
10/04/2021	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 10/04/2021)
10/04/2021	<u>9</u>	STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 10/04/2021)
10/05/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the government's <u>9</u> Status Report, the parties are ORDERED to file a joint status report on or before November 4, 2021. The status report should address the status of the plaintiff's FOIA request, including the anticipated number of documents responsive to the request and the anticipated date(s) for release of the requested documents, as well as propose a schedule for further proceedings. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on October 5, 2021. (lcldf1) (Entered: 10/05/2021)
11/04/2021	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 11/04/2021)
11/04/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are ORDERED to file another joint status report on or before January 4, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on November 4, 2021. (lcldf1) (Entered: 11/04/2021)
01/04/2022	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 01/04/2022)
01/04/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are ORDERED to file another joint status report on or before March 7, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 4, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 01/04/2022)
03/07/2022	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 03/07/2022)
03/08/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are ORDERED to file another joint status report on or before May 9, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 8, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 03/08/2022)
05/09/2022	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 05/09/2022)
05/10/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before July 8, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 10, 2022. (lcldf2) (Entered: 05/10/2022)

07/08/2022	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 07/08/2022)
07/11/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before September 7, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 11, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 07/11/2022)
07/11/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 9/7/2022 (zjch,) (Entered: 07/11/2022)
09/07/2022	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 09/07/2022)
09/07/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before November 15, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 7, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 09/07/2022)
11/15/2022	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DAVID BROWN. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Lentini, Jerald) (Entered: 11/15/2022)
11/15/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before January 17, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on November 15, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 11/15/2022)
01/17/2023	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, US DEPT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(DeGenaro, Stephen) (Entered: 01/17/2023)
01/18/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before March 20, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 18, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 01/18/2023)
02/28/2023	<u>18</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Fithawi Berhane on behalf of CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, US DEPT OF JUSTICE Substituting for attorney Stephen DeGenaro (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 02/28/2023)
03/20/2023	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, US DEPT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 03/20/2023)
03/21/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>19</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before May 19, 2023 to inform the Court whether further proceedings are necessary. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 21, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 03/21/2023)
05/19/2023	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, US DEPT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 05/19/2023)
05/22/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>20</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before July 18, 2023 to inform the Court whether further proceedings are necessary. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 22, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 05/22/2023)
07/18/2023	<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, US DEPT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 07/18/2023)

07/19/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>21</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before September 15, 2023 to inform the Court whether further proceedings are necessary. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 19, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 07/19/2023)
07/19/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 9/15/2023 (zjch,) (Entered: 07/19/2023)
09/15/2023	<u>22</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, US DEPT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 09/15/2023)
09/15/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>22</u> Joint Status Report, the parties shall submit a Joint Status Report on or before November 15, 2023, advising the Court whether further proceedings are necessary. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 15, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 09/15/2023)
09/18/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/15/2023. (zsmc) (Entered: 09/18/2023)
11/15/2023	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 11/15/2023)
11/15/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>23</u> Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before January 22, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on November 15, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 11/15/2023)
01/22/2024	<u>24</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 01/22/2024)
01/23/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>24</u> Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before February 9, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 23, 2024. (lcldf1) (Entered: 01/23/2024)
02/09/2024	<u>25</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 02/09/2024)
02/11/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>25</u> Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before March 11, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on February 11, 2024. (lcldf1) (Entered: 02/11/2024)
03/11/2024	<u>26</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 03/11/2024)
03/11/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>26</u> Joint Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before May 1, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 11, 2024. (lcldf1) (Entered: 03/11/2024)
05/01/2024	<u>27</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 05/01/2024)
05/01/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>27</u> Joint Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before July 1, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 1, 2024. (lcldf1) (Entered: 05/01/2024)
07/01/2024	<u>28</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 07/01/2024)

07/02/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>28</u> Joint Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before September 2, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 2, 2024. (lcldf1) (Entered: 07/02/2024)
09/03/2024	<u>29</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Berhane, Fithawi) (Entered: 09/03/2024)
09/04/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>29</u> Joint Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before November 4, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 4, 2024. (lcldf1) (Entered: 09/04/2024)