

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:21-cv-02111-DLF**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE Date Filed: 08/06/2021  
Assigned to: Judge Dabney L. Friedrich 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
08/06/2021	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE ( Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-8650973) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons for US Attorney for DC, # <u>3</u> Summons for US Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons for U.S. Department of State)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 08/06/2021)
08/06/2021	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 08/06/2021)
08/06/2021		Case Assigned to Judge Dabney L. Friedrich. (adh, ) (Entered: 08/06/2021)
08/06/2021	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(adh, ) (Entered: 08/06/2021)

08/06/2021	<u>4</u>	STANDARD ORDER for Civil Cases. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on August 6, 2021. (lcldf1) (Entered: 08/06/2021)
08/18/2021	<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 8/12/2021. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 9/11/2021. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of David Rothstein)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 08/18/2021)
08/18/2021	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 08/17/21. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of David Rothstein)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 08/18/2021)
08/18/2021	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 8/17/2021 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of David Rothstein)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 08/18/2021)
09/13/2021	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Paul Cirino on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 09/13/2021)
09/13/2021	<u>9</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 09/13/2021)
09/13/2021		MINUTE ORDER requiring the parties to MEET AND CONFER and file a joint status report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. 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. The parties shall file the joint status report on or before September 27, 2021. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 13, 2021. (lcldf1) (Entered: 09/13/2021)
09/13/2021		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 9/27/2021 (zjch, ) (Entered: 09/14/2021)
09/27/2021	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 09/27/2021)
09/28/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before November 30, 2021. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 28, 2021. (lcldf1) (Entered: 09/28/2021)
11/30/2021	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 11/30/2021)
11/30/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before January 31, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on November 30, 2021. (lcldf1) (Entered: 11/30/2021)
01/31/2022	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 01/31/2022)
01/31/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before April 1, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 31, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 01/31/2022)
04/01/2022	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 04/01/2022)
04/03/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before June 1, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 3, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 04/03/2022)
06/01/2022	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 06/01/2022)

06/10/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before August 30, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on June 10, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 06/10/2022)
06/10/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 8/30/2022 (zjch, ) (Entered: 06/10/2022)
08/28/2022	<u>15</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Jeremy S. Simon on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney Paul Cirino (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 08/28/2022)
08/30/2022	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 08/30/2022)
08/30/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before November 30, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on August 30, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 08/30/2022)
11/29/2022	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 11/29/2022)
11/30/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before February 23, 2022. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on November 30, 2022. (lcldf1) (Entered: 11/30/2022)
02/22/2023	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 02/22/2023)
02/22/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>18</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before May 23, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on February 22, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 02/22/2023)
05/19/2023	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 05/19/2023)
05/19/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>19</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before August 17, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 19, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 05/19/2023)
08/17/2023	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 08/17/2023)
08/17/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>20</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before November 15, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on August 17, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 08/17/2023)
08/18/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 11/15/2023 (zjch, ) (Entered: 08/18/2023)
11/15/2023	<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 11/15/2023)
11/15/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>21</u> Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before February 15, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on November 15, 2023. (lcldf1) (Entered: 11/15/2023)
02/15/2024	<u>22</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 02/15/2024)
02/15/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>22</u> Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before May 15, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on February 15, 2024. (lcldf1) (Entered: 02/15/2024)
05/15/2024	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 05/15/2024)

05/15/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>23</u> Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before August 15, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 15, 2024. (lcdf1) (Entered: 05/15/2024)
08/07/2024	<u>24</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 08/07/2024)
08/08/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>24</u> Status Report, the parties shall file a joint status report on or before November 13, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on August 8, 2024. (lcdf1) (Entered: 08/08/2024)