

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:22-cv-00149-TNM**

CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN
WASHINGTON v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Assigned to: Judge Trevor N. McFadden
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 01/21/2022
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
01/21/2022	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-8994745) filed by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons Attorney General, # <u>3</u> Summons DOJ, # <u>4</u> Summons US Attorney)(Sus, Nikhel) (Entered: 01/21/2022)
01/21/2022	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Sus, Nikhel) (Entered: 01/21/2022)
01/21/2022		Case Assigned to Judge Trevor N. McFadden. (zsb) (Entered: 01/21/2022)
01/21/2022	<u>3</u>	STANDING ORDER Establishing Procedures for Cases Before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. The parties are hereby ORDERED to read and comply with the directives in the attached standing order. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 1/21/22. (lctnm3) (Entered: 01/21/2022)
01/24/2022	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(znm) (Entered: 01/24/2022)
02/03/2022	<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 1/31/2022. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 3/2/2022.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 1/31/2022, RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 1/31/22. (Sus, Nikhel) (Entered: 02/03/2022)
02/23/2022	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Sean Michael Tepe on behalf of All Defendants (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 02/23/2022)
02/23/2022	<u>7</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, <i>or Otherwise Respond</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 02/23/2022)
02/25/2022		MINUTE ORDER granting the government's <u>7</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. The deadline for the government to file its Answer or otherwise respond to the Complaint is now March 16, 2022. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 2/25/2022. (lctnm3) (Entered: 02/25/2022)
02/25/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Answer due by 3/16/2022. (hmc) (Entered: 02/25/2022)
03/16/2022	<u>8</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Antonia Marie Konkoly on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Substituting for attorney Sean Tepe (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 03/16/2022)

03/16/2022	<u>9</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 03/16/2022)
03/18/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court are a Complaint and an Answer in this FOIA case. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report proposing a schedule for proceeding in this matter. The schedule should address, among other things, the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request, 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, and a briefing schedule for dispositive motions, if required. The parties shall file the schedule on or before April 18, 2022. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 3/18/2022. (lctnm3) (Entered: 03/18/2022)
03/18/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/18/2022. (zhmc) (Entered: 03/18/2022)
04/18/2022	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 04/18/2022)
04/18/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another Joint Status Report on or before June 15, 2022. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 4/18/2022. (lctnm3) (Entered: 04/18/2022)
04/19/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 6/15/2022. (hmc) (Entered: 04/19/2022)
06/13/2022	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 06/13/2022)
06/14/2022		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another Joint Status Report on or before September 13, 2022. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 6/14/2022. (lctnm3) (Entered: 06/14/2022)
06/14/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 9/13/2022. (hmc) (Entered: 06/14/2022)
09/13/2022	<u>12</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Laura Adanma Iheanachor on behalf of CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Iheanachor, Laura) (Entered: 09/13/2022)
09/13/2022	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 09/13/2022)
09/13/2022		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, the Court orders the parties to file another Joint Status Report on or before December 13, 2022. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 9/13/2022. (lctnm3) (Entered: 09/13/2022)
09/14/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/13/2022. (hmc) (Entered: 09/14/2022)
12/08/2022	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 12/08/2022)
12/08/2022		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, the Court orders the parties to file another Joint Status Report on or before March 13, 2023. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 12/8/2022. (lctnm3) (Entered: 12/08/2022)
12/08/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/13/2023. (ztg) (Entered: 12/08/2022)
02/06/2023	<u>15</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Anne L. Weismann on behalf of CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Weismann, Anne) (Entered: 02/06/2023)

03/13/2023	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 03/13/2023)
03/14/2023		MINUTE ORDER: After considering the <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, the parties shall file another Joint Status Report on or before June 12, 2023 updating the Court on the status of this case. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 3/14/2023. (lctnm3) (Entered: 03/14/2023)
03/14/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 6/12/2023. (hmc) (Entered: 03/14/2023)
06/12/2023	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 06/12/2023)
06/12/2023		MINUTE ORDER: After considering the <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, the parties shall file another Joint Status Report on or before September 11, 2023 updating the Court on the status of this case. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 6/12/2023. (lctnm3) (Entered: 06/12/2023)
06/13/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 9/11/2023. (hmc) (Entered: 06/13/2023)
07/31/2023	<u>18</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. Attorney Anne L. Weismann terminated. (Weismann, Anne) (Entered: 07/31/2023)
09/08/2023	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 09/08/2023)
09/08/2023		MINUTE ORDER: Having considered the parties' <u>19</u> Joint Status Report, the Court ORDERS the parties to file another JSR on or before December 11, 2023. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 9/8/2023. (lctnm3) (Entered: 09/08/2023)
12/11/2023	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Iheanachor, Laura) (Entered: 12/11/2023)
12/12/2023		MINUTE ORDER: The Court ORDERS the parties to submit a further Joint Status Report on or before March 11, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 12/11/2023. (lctnm3) (Entered: 12/12/2023)
03/11/2024	<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Konkoly, Antonia) (Entered: 03/11/2024)
03/11/2024		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the <u>21</u> Joint Status Report, the Court ORDERS the parties to submit a further JSR on or before June 10, 2024. SO ORDERED . Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 3/11/2024. (lctnm3) (Entered: 03/11/2024)
03/29/2024	<u>22</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Zachary W. Sherwood on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Substituting for attorney Antonia Konkoly (Sherwood, Zachary) (Entered: 03/29/2024)
06/10/2024	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Sherwood, Zachary) (Entered: 06/10/2024)
06/11/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Having considered the <u>23</u> Joint Status Report, the Court ORDERS the parties to file another JSR on or before September 10, 2024, and every 60 days thereafter. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 6/11/2024. (lctnm3) (Entered: 06/11/2024)
09/10/2024	<u>24</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Sherwood, Zachary) (Entered: 09/10/2024)