

**United States District Court
Eastern District of Wisconsin (Milwaukee)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:22-cv-00091-NJ**

Scoville v. US Department of State
Assigned to: Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 01/25/2022
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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01/25/2022	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. Department of State by Ryan Scoville. (Filing Fee PAID \$402 receipt number AWIEDC-4025016) (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A –FOIA Request, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B – March 24, 2020 Email, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C – February 22, 2021 Email Chain, # <u>4</u> Exhibit D – March 31, 2021 Appeal, # <u>5</u> Exhibit E – March 31, 2021 Response, # <u>6</u> Exhibit F – May 19, 2017 Complaint, # <u>7</u> Exhibit G – July 3, 2019 Complaint, # <u>8</u> Exhibit H – August 16, 2021 Request, # <u>9</u> Summons, # <u>10</u> Civil Cover Sheet)(Williamson, Brady)
01/25/2022	<u>2</u>	DISCLOSURE Statement by Ryan Scoville. (Williamson, Brady)
01/25/2022		NOTICE Regarding assignment of this matter to Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph; Consent/refusal forms for Magistrate Judge Joseph to be filed within 21 days; the consent/refusal form is available here . (jcl)
01/25/2022		Summons Issued as to US Department of State. (asc)
02/14/2022	<u>3</u>	Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction Form filed by Ryan Scoville. (NOTICE: Pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 73 this document is not viewable by the judge.) (Williamson, Brady)
02/14/2022	<u>4</u>	Return of Service of Complaint by Certified Mail by Ryan Scoville served upon U.S. Department of State on February 4, 2022 (Williamson, Brady)
02/28/2022	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Lisa Yun on behalf of US Department of State. Attorney(s) appearing: Lisa Yun (Yun, Lisa)
02/28/2022	<u>6</u>	Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time <i>to Answer or Otherwise Plead</i> by US Department of State. (Yun, Lisa)
03/01/2022	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Christian R Larsen on behalf of US Department of State. Attorney(s) appearing: Chris R. Larsen (Larsen, Christian)
03/01/2022		NOTICE from the clerk to DEFENDANT requesting that the Consent/Refusal form to Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph be filed within 21 days; the form is available here . (asc)
03/07/2022	<u>8</u>	RESPONSE to Motion filed by Ryan Scoville re <u>6</u> Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time <i>to Answer or Otherwise Plead – Response to Defendant's Motion for Extension and Request for Rule 16 Conference</i> . (Williamson, Brady)
03/08/2022		TEXT ONLY ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 3/8/2022 granting <u>6</u> Motion for Extension of Time. Defendant has until April 1, 2022 to answer. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
03/08/2022		Set/Reset Deadlines: US Department of State answer due 4/1/2022. (llc)
03/11/2022	<u>9</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Carol Federighi on behalf of US Department of State. Attorney(s) appearing: Carol Federighi (Federighi, Carol)
03/11/2022	<u>10</u>	Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction Form filed by US Department of State. (NOTICE: Pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 73 this document is not viewable by the judge.) (Federighi, Carol)
03/14/2022		Consent to Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction (asc)
03/28/2022	<u>11</u>	Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer (<i>Unopposed</i>) by All Defendants. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Federighi, Carol)
03/28/2022		TEXT ONLY ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 3/28/2022 granting <u>11</u> Motion for Extension of Time to Answer. US Department of State answer due 4/8/2022. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
04/08/2022	<u>12</u>	Partial MOTION TO DISMISS FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM by US Department of State. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Copies of Unpublished Authorities)(Federighi, Carol) Modified on 4/28/2022 (asc).
04/08/2022	<u>13</u>	BRIEF in Support filed by US Department of State re <u>12</u> MOTION TO DISMISS FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM . (Federighi, Carol)

04/11/2022		NOTICE of Hearing: Status Conference set for 4/29/2022 at 9:30 AM via Zoom Video Conference before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph. (cc: all counsel)(asc)
04/27/2022	<u>14</u>	Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time to Respond to Defendant's Motion – Unopposed by Ryan Scoville. (Williamson, Brady)
04/27/2022		TEXT ONLY ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 4/27/2022 granting <u>14</u> Motion for Extension of Time. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
04/27/2022		ZOOM INFORMATION for Status Conference set for 4/29/2022 at 9:30 AM before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph. Click here to Join ZoomGov Meeting Meeting ID: 160 927 7592 and Password: 097092 Dial in: <u>+1-669-254-5252</u> or <u>+1-646-828-7666</u> (cc: all counsel) (asc)
05/02/2022	<u>15</u>	Minute Entry for Status Conference held on 5/2/2022 before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph: The court speaks with parties re background of case, and scheduling matters. (Court Reporter Zoom Audio) (asc)
05/11/2022	<u>16</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Stephen Stich on behalf of Ryan Scoville. Attorney(s) appearing: Stephen Stich (Stich, Stephen)
05/20/2022	<u>17</u>	BRIEF in Opposition filed by Ryan Scoville re <u>12</u> MOTION TO DISMISS FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM . (Williamson, Brady)
05/20/2022	<u>18</u>	ATTACHMENTS – <i>Copies of Unpublished Authorities</i> by Ryan Scoville re <u>17</u> Brief in Opposition to Motion. (Williamson, Brady)
06/03/2022	<u>19</u>	REPLY BRIEF in Support filed by US Department of State re <u>12</u> MOTION TO DISMISS FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM . (Federighi, Carol)
06/03/2022	<u>20</u>	ATTACHMENTS (<i>Copy of Unpublished Authority</i>) by US Department of State re <u>19</u> Reply Brief in Support of Motion. (Federighi, Carol)
08/23/2022	<u>21</u>	DECISION AND ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 8/23/2022 denying <u>12</u> Partial Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
08/24/2022	<u>22</u>	NOTICE of Hearing: Rule 16 Scheduling Conference set for 9/29/2022 10:30 AM by Zoom Video Conference before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph. Rule 26(f) Report due by 9/23/2022. (cc: all counsel)(edr)
08/25/2022		ZOOM INFORMATION for Rule 16 Scheduling Conference set for 9/29/2022 at 10:30 am before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph. Click here to Join ZoomGov Meeting <br Meeting ID: 161 496 6979 and Password: 489903 Dial in: <u>+1-669-254-5252</u> or <u>+1-646 828-7666</u> (cc: all counsel) (edr)
09/06/2022	<u>23</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint,, by US Department of State.(Federighi, Carol)
09/21/2022	<u>24</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Leave to Appear Law Students Arjun Malik and Hannah Vester by Ryan Scoville. (Stich, Stephen)
09/22/2022	<u>25</u>	ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 9/22/2022 granting <u>24</u> Motion for Leave to Appear for law students Arjun Malik and Hannah Vester. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
09/23/2022	<u>26</u>	REPORT of Rule 26(f) Plan by Ryan Scoville. (Williamson, Brady)
09/29/2022	<u>27</u>	Minute Entry for Rule 16 Scheduling Conference held before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 9/29/2022. Parties discussed scheduling deadlines. Court adopted proposed deadlines as stated on the record. (Court Reporter Zoom Audio) (rcm)
09/29/2022	<u>28</u>	SCHEDULING ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 9/29/2022. Rule 26(a) Disclosures to be exchanged by 10/7/2022, Fact Discovery by 4/24/2023, Disclosure of Witness Designations and Reports by 6/26/2023, Expert Witness Discovery by 8/28/2023, Summary Judgment Motions by Plaintiff by 9/18/2023, Defendant Summary Judgment Cross-motions by 10/16/2023. (cc: all counsel)(rcm)
12/19/2022	<u>29</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Rachel Elizabeth Davidson on behalf of Ryan Scoville. Attorney(s) appearing: Rachel Davidson (Davidson, Rachel)

12/21/2022	<u>30</u>	NOTICE of Withdrawal by Stephen Stich on behalf of Ryan Scoville. Attorney Stephen Stich to be termed. (Stich, Stephen)
12/21/2022		Attorney Stephen Stich terminated. (rcm) (Entered: 12/22/2022)
02/09/2023	<u>31</u>	Joint MOTION for Protective Order by US Department of State. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> [Proposed] Protective Order)(Federighi, Carol)
02/09/2023	<u>32</u>	ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 2/9/2023 granting <u>31</u> Motion for Protective Order. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
04/13/2023	<u>33</u>	Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time – <i>Motion to Amend Scheduling Order</i> by Ryan Scoville. (Williamson, Brady)
04/14/2023		TEXT ONLY ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 4/14/2023 granting <u>33</u> Motion to Amend Scheduling Order. Deadlines are amended as stated in stipulated motion. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
08/03/2023	<u>34</u>	LETTER from Parties <i>Regarding Discovery Status</i> . (Federighi, Carol)
08/07/2023		NOTICE of Hearing: Status Conference set for 10/19/2023 at 9:30 AM by Zoom Video Conference before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph. (cc: all counsel)(edr)
08/07/2023		ZOOM INFORMATION for Status Conferece set for 10/19/2023 at 9:30 AM before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph. Click here to Join ZoomGov Meeting Meeting ID: 161 277 9571 and Password: 897830 Dial in: +1-669-254-5252 or +1-646-828-7666 (cc: all counsel) (edr)
08/09/2023	<u>35</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Tobin Raju on behalf of Ryan Scoville. Attorney(s) appearing: Tobin Raju (Raju, Tobin)
08/10/2023	<u>36</u>	NOTICE of Withdrawal by Rachel Elizabeth Davidson on behalf of Ryan Scoville. Attorney Rachel Davidson to be termed. (Davidson, Rachel)
08/10/2023		Attorney Rachel Elizabeth Davidson terminated. (edr) (Entered: 08/11/2023)
10/16/2023	<u>37</u>	Consent MOTION for Leave to Appear <i>Law Student Dorrin Akbari</i> by Ryan Scoville. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A – Certificate of Good Standing (D. Akbari))(Raju, Tobin)
10/18/2023	<u>38</u>	ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 10/18/2023 granting <u>37</u> Motion for Leave to Appear by Law Student Dorrin Akbari under Student Practice Rule. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
10/19/2023	<u>39</u>	Minute Entry for Status Conference held before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 10/19/2023: Parties discussed status of discovery. Parties to file a proposed schedule by 11/3/2023. (Court Reporter Zoom Audio) (rcm)
11/03/2023	<u>40</u>	Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time – <i>Joint Motion for Entry of Amended Scheduling Order</i> by Ryan Scoville. (Raju, Tobin)
11/06/2023		TEXT ONLY ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 11/6/2023 granting <u>40</u> Motion for Extension of Time. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
11/06/2023	<u>41</u>	AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 11/6/2023. Deadline to serve written discovery requests: March 22, 2024. Deadline to complete fact discovery: May 3, 2024. Deadline to disclose expert witness designations: May 10, 2024. Deadline for experts to exchange reports: June 14, 2024. Deadline to disclose any rebuttal expert designations and exchange rebuttal reports: July 19, 2024. Deadline to complete expert discovery: August 16, 2024. Deadline to file any Daubert motions: September 27, 2024. Plaintiffs motion for summary judgment due: September 27, 2024. Deadline for any responses to Daubert motions: November 8, 2024. Defendants cross motion for summary judgment and opposition to plaintiffs motion forsummary judgment due: November 8, 2024. Deadline for any replies in further support of Daubert motions: December 6, 2024. Plaintiffs reply in support of motion for summary judgment and opposition to defendantscross-motion for summary judgment: December 6, 2024. Defendants reply in support of motion for summary judgment and opposition to plaintiffs cross-motion for summary judgment: January 10, 2025. (cc: all counsel)(rcm)

02/12/2024	<u>42</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Christopher Marisak Lynch on behalf of All Defendants. Attorney(s) appearing: Christopher M. Lynch (Lynch, Christopher)
03/12/2024	<u>43</u>	Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION to Compel <i>Defendant to Comply with Notice of 30(b)(6) Deposition</i> by Ryan Scoville. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Tobin Raju in support of Expedited Motion to Compel, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 1 – 30(b)(6) Deposition Notice, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 2 – Summary of Oct. 19, 2023 meet and confer, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3 – November 16, 2023 email re 30(b)(6) notice, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 4 – Summary of November 6, 2023 meet and confer, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 5 – February 15, 2024 email, # <u>7</u> Exhibit 6 – Summary of February 23, 2024 meet and confer, # <u>8</u> Exhibit 7 – March 1, 2024 email, # <u>9</u> Exhibit 8 – Summary of March 7, 2025 meet and confer, # <u>10</u> Exhibit 9 – States Responses to Plaintiffs First Set of Requests for Production, # <u>11</u> Exhibit 10 – State's Responses to Second Set of Requests for Production, # <u>12</u> Exhibit 11 – State's Responses to First Set of Interrogatories, # <u>13</u> Exhibit 12 – State's Responses to First Set of Interrogatories)(Raju, Tobin)
03/19/2024	<u>44</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Joseph E Borson on behalf of US Department of State. Attorney(s) appearing: Joseph E. Borson (Borson, Joseph)
03/19/2024	<u>45</u>	BRIEF in Opposition filed by US Department of State re <u>43</u> Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION to Compel <i>Defendant to Comply with Notice of 30(b)(6) Deposition</i> . (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Joseph E. Borson, # <u>2</u> Ex. A – Docket in Scoville v. Dep't of State, 17-951 (D.D.C.), # <u>3</u> Ex. B – Docket in Scoville v. Dep't of State, 19-1987 (D.D.C.))(Borson, Joseph)
03/21/2024	<u>46</u>	Consent MOTION for Leave to Appear Law Student Ben Menke by Ryan Scoville. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A – Certificate of Good Standing (B. Menke))(Raju, Tobin)
03/21/2024	<u>47</u>	Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time <i>to Allow for Limited Discovery Extension and Amended Scheduling Order</i> by Ryan Scoville. (Williamson, Brady)
03/21/2024	<u>48</u>	ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 3/21/2024 granting <u>46</u> Motion for Leave to Appear Under Student Practice Rule. (cc: all counsel)(llc)
03/26/2024		NOTICE of Hearing on Motion <u>43</u> Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION to Compel <i>Defendant to Comply with Notice of 30(b)(6) Deposition</i> : Motion Hearing set for 4/4/2024 at 10:00 AM via Zoom before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph. (cc: all counsel)(rcm)
03/26/2024		ZOOM INFORMATION for Motion Hearing set for 4/4/2024 at 10:00am before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph. Click here to Join ZoomGov Meeting Meeting ID: 160 861 9361 and Password: 142756 Dial in: +1-669-254-5252 or +1-646-828-7666 (cc: all counsel) (rcm)
03/28/2024	<u>49</u>	RESPONSE to Motion filed by US Department of State re <u>47</u> Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time <i>to Allow for Limited Discovery Extension and Amended Scheduling Order</i> . (Lynch, Christopher)
04/04/2024	<u>50</u>	Minute Entry for Motion Hearing re <u>43</u> Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION to Compel <i>Defendant to Comply with Notice of 30(b)(6) Deposition</i> filed by Ryan Scoville and <u>47</u> Rule 7(h) Expedited Non-Dispositive MOTION for Extension of Time <i>to Allow for Limited Discovery Extension and Amended Scheduling Order</i> filed by Ryan Scoville held before Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 4/4/2024: Parties discussed motions. Court made rulings on the record regarding the motion to compel. Parties are to submit a joint proposal for amending the scheduling order by 4/19/2024. (Court Reporter Zoom Audio.) (rcm)
04/19/2024	<u>51</u>	LETTER/MOTION for Extension from Parties <i>regarding joint request for extension of time to submit proposals for amended scheduling order</i> . (Raju, Tobin) Modified on 4/22/2024 (rcm).
04/22/2024		TEXT ONLY ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 4/22/2024 granting <u>51</u> Motion for Extension of Time to submit proposals for amended scheduling order. (cc: all counsel)(llc)

04/22/2024	<u>52</u>	STATUS REPORT (<i>Joint</i>) Regarding proposals for Amending Scheduling Order by Ryan Scoville. (Raju, Tobin)
04/23/2024	<u>53</u>	SECOND AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 4/23/2024. (cc: all counsel)(rcm)
09/05/2024	<u>54</u>	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time <i>JOINT CIVIL L.R. 7(H) EXPEDITED NON-DISPOSITIVE MOTION TO AMEND SCHEDULING ORDER</i> by US Department of State. (Lynch, Christopher)
09/05/2024		TEXT ONLY ORDER signed by Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph on 9/5/2024 granting <u>54</u> Motion for Extension of Time. (cc: all counsel)(llc)