

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:22-cv-00611-JMC**

NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC. v. UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Assigned to: Judge Jia M. Cobb
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 03/04/2022
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
03/04/2022	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief for Violation of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 et seq. against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-9084087) filed by NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons as to U.S. Department of State, # <u>4</u> Summons as to U.S. Department of Justice, # <u>5</u> Summons as to U.S. Attorneys' Office)(DeThomas, Courtney) (Attachment 2 replaced on 3/11/2022) (znmw). (Entered: 03/04/2022)
03/04/2022	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC. (DeThomas, Courtney) (Entered: 03/04/2022)
03/07/2022		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet; emailed to courtneydethomas@dwt.com, cc'd 3 associated attorneys --- The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. Form filed as fillable PDF. Please file form in a non-fillable PDF format., 2. The civil cover sheet should be filed in a non-fillable PDF format. After completing the form, you will need to print to PDF. Please file using the event Civil Cover Sheet., 3. COMPLIANCE DEADLINE is by close of business today. This case will not proceed any further until all errors are satisfied. (znmg,) (Entered: 03/07/2022)
03/07/2022	<u>3</u>	CIVIL COVER SHEET by NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC. re <u>1</u> Complaint, filed by NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC.. Related document: <u>1</u> Complaint, filed by NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC..(DeThomas, Courtney) (Entered: 03/07/2022)
03/08/2022		Case Assigned to Judge Jia M. Cobb. (znmg) (Entered: 03/08/2022)
03/08/2022	<u>4</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)(znmg) (Entered: 03/08/2022)
03/22/2022	<u>5</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name- Thomas R. Burke, Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number ADCDC-9121197. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC.. (DeThomas, Courtney) (Entered: 03/22/2022)
03/23/2022		MINUTE ORDER granting Plaintiff's <u>5</u> MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF THOMAS R. BURKE: Upon consideration of the motion and the declaration of Thomas R. Burke, the motion is GRANTED. Thomas R. Burke may appear pro hac vice in court proceedings in this case. Counsel should register for e-filing via PACER and file a notice of appearance pursuant to LCvR 83.6(a). Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on March 23, 2022. (ljmc1) Modified on 3/23/2022 to add the codes. (zgdf) (Entered: 03/23/2022)
03/23/2022	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Thomas R. Burke on behalf of NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC. (Burke, Thomas) (Entered: 03/23/2022)
04/01/2022	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 3/22/2022. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 4/21/2022. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Affidavit of Service as to U.S. Department of Justice, # <u>2</u> Affidavit of Service as to U.S. Department of State)(Burke, Thomas) (Entered: 04/01/2022)
04/04/2022		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>7</u> Summons Returned Executed in FOIA as to U.S. Attorney; emailed to thomasburke@dwt.com, cc'd 6 associated attorneys --- The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. Please note the following deficiency and file/refile document as instructed , 2. Refile same document as to the Issuance to the AG & Federal Dft (zjf,) (Entered: 04/04/2022)

04/18/2022	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Sean Michael Tepe on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 04/18/2022)
04/19/2022	<u>9</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer <i>or Otherwise Respond</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 04/19/2022)
04/19/2022		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>9</u> Defendant's Consent Motion for Extension of Time to Answer or Otherwise Respond to Complaint: Having considered the motion and for good cause shown, the Court grants this motion. Defendant shall file its answer or otherwise respond to the complaint by May 12, 2022. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on April 19, 2022. (lcjmc1) (Entered: 04/19/2022)
05/12/2022	<u>10</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 05/12/2022)
05/17/2022		MINUTE ORDER: The Court ORDERS that the Parties confer and submit a joint proposed schedule for further proceedings, which shall include a proposed schedule for the processing and release of responsive records or for briefing dispositive motions, by May 31, 2022. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on May 17, 2022. (lcjmc1) (Entered: 05/17/2022)
05/31/2022	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 05/31/2022)
05/31/2022		MINUTE ORDER: The Court has reviewed the Parties' Joint Status Report and directs the Parties to file another joint status report by August 29, 2022. It is further ORDERED that the Parties shall file joint status reports every 90 days thereafter until further order of the Court. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on May 31, 2022. (lcjmc1) (Entered: 05/31/2022)
08/29/2022	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 08/29/2022)
11/28/2022	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 11/28/2022)
02/27/2023	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 02/27/2023)
05/30/2023	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 05/30/2023)
06/05/2023	<u>16</u>	NOTICE of Change of Address by Thomas R. Burke (Burke, Thomas) (Entered: 06/05/2023)
08/28/2023	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 08/28/2023)
08/29/2023	<u>18</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Patricia Josefina Pena on behalf of NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC. (Pena, Patricia) (Entered: 08/29/2023)
10/24/2023	<u>19</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Kaitlin Kerry Eckrote on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney Sean M. Tepe (Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 10/24/2023)
11/27/2023	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 11/27/2023)
02/26/2024	<u>21</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>Joint</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 02/26/2024)
05/28/2024	<u>22</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, INC.. (DeThomas, Courtney) (Entered: 05/28/2024)
08/26/2024	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 08/26/2024)