

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-01428-ACR**

BLOOMBERG L.P. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Assigned to: Judge Ana C. Reyes
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 05/19/2023
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
05/19/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-10080552) filed by BLOOMBERG L.P.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1-7, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/19/2023)
05/19/2023	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Topic on behalf of BLOOMBERG L.P. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/19/2023)
05/19/2023	<u>3</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by BLOOMBERG L.P. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/19/2023)
05/22/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Ana C. Reyes. (zsl) (Entered: 05/22/2023)
05/22/2023	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsl) (Entered: 05/22/2023)
06/15/2023	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Christina O'Tousa on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 06/15/2023)
06/15/2023	<u>6</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 06/15/2023)
06/16/2023		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>6</u> Defendant's Unopposed Motion to Extend Time to Respond to Complaint, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED. It is further ORDERED that Defendant shall have until July 24, 2023, to answer or otherwise respond to the Complaint, Dkt. 1. Signed by Judge Ana C. Reyes on 6/16/23. (lcas) (Entered: 06/16/2023)
06/16/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Answer to complaint due by 7/24/2023. (zcdw) (Entered: 06/16/2023)
06/20/2023	<u>7</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Erika Kirstie Oblea on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney Christina O'Tousa (Oblea, Erika) (Entered: 06/20/2023)
07/24/2023	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1)(Oblea, Erika) (Entered: 07/24/2023)
08/01/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Plaintiff filed this Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") action on May 19, 2023. Dkt 1. Defendant filed its Answer on July 24, 2023. Dkt. 8. Cases filed under FOIA are exempt from the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f) and Local Civil Rule 16.3. See LCvR 16.3(b)(10). Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report on or before September 5, 2023. The Joint Status Report should address, among other things: (1) the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request; (2) the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request; (3) the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff; (4) whether a motion for a stay is likely under <i>Open America v. Watergate Special Prosecution Force</i> , 547 F.2d 605 (D.C. Cir. 1976); and (5) whether the parties anticipate summary judgment briefing and, if so, a proposed briefing schedule. Counsel shall not contact Chambers directly concerning scheduling or other matters, as Chambers personnel will not handle questions relating to the status or scheduling of pending matters, except in case of an emergency. In an emergency, Chambers can be reached at (202) 354-3350. Signed by Judge Ana C. Reyes on 8/1/23. (lcas) (Entered: 08/01/2023)
08/01/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 9/5/2023. (zcdw) (Entered: 08/01/2023)
09/05/2023	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Oblea, Erika) (Entered: 09/05/2023)

11/06/2023	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Oblea, Erika) (Entered: 11/06/2023)
11/17/2023	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Oblea, Erika) (Entered: 11/17/2023)
02/15/2024	<u>12</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Bradley Silverman on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Silverman, Bradley) (Entered: 02/15/2024)
02/15/2024	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Silverman, Bradley) (Entered: 02/15/2024)
02/23/2024	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Silverman, Bradley) (Entered: 02/23/2024)
04/11/2024	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Silverman, Bradley) (Entered: 04/11/2024)
07/15/2024	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Oblea, Erika) (Entered: 07/15/2024)
08/26/2024	<u>17</u>	STANDING ORDER. The Court hereby ORDERS the parties to comply with its Standing Order. See Standing Order for details. Signed by Judge Ana C. Reyes on 8/26/2024. (Icar3) (Entered: 08/26/2024)
08/26/2024	<u>18</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Merrick Jason Wayne on behalf of BLOOMBERG L.P. (Wayne, Merrick) (Entered: 08/26/2024)