

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-01927-RBW**

CALHOUN BHELLA & SECHREST LLP v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Assigned to: Judge Reggie B. Walton
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 07/03/2023
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
07/03/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-10179836) filed by CALHOUN BHELLA & SECHREST LLP. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons Merrick Garland, # <u>3</u> Summons Matthew M. Graves, # <u>4</u> Summons HHS General Counsel)(Bird, Adam) (Entered: 07/03/2023)
07/03/2023	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CALHOUN BHELLA & SECHREST LLP (Bird, Adam) (Entered: 07/03/2023)
07/05/2023		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>1</u> Complaint; emailed to abird@cbsattorneys.com, cc'd 2 associated attorneys -- The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. Incorrect coversheet. Please use the cover sheet at https://www.dcd.uscourts.gov/new-case-forms & file using the event Civil Cover Sheet., 2. COMPLIANCE DEADLINE is by close of business today. This case will not proceed any further until all errors are satisfied. (zljn,) (Entered: 07/05/2023)
07/05/2023	<u>3</u>	CIVIL COVER SHEET by CALHOUN BHELLA & SECHREST LLP re <u>1</u> Complaint, filed by CALHOUN BHELLA & SECHREST LLP. Related document: <u>1</u> Complaint, filed by CALHOUN BHELLA & SECHREST LLP.(Bird, Adam) (Main Document 3 replaced on 7/6/2023) (zljn). (Entered: 07/05/2023)
07/06/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Reggie B. Walton. (zljn) (Entered: 07/06/2023)
07/06/2023	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zljn) (Entered: 07/06/2023)

08/07/2023	<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 7/24/2023. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 8/23/2023. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1)(Bird, Adam) (Entered: 08/07/2023)
08/07/2023	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 7/24/2023. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 8/23/2023. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1)(Bird, Adam) (Entered: 08/07/2023)
08/07/2023	<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 7/24/2023. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 8/23/2023. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1)(Bird, Adam) (Entered: 08/07/2023)
08/07/2023	<u>8</u>	GENERAL ORDER FOR CIVIL CASES BEFORE THE HONORABLE REGGIE B. WALTON. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on August 7, 2023. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 08/07/2023)
08/23/2023	<u>9</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Exhibits 1–14)(Bardo, John) (Entered: 08/23/2023)
08/24/2023		MINUTE ORDER. To ensure the expeditious resolution of this action, and because this qualifies as an exempted case under Local Civil Rule 16.3(b), it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before September 21, 2023, the parties shall file a joint proposed briefing schedule governing further proceedings. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on August 24, 2023. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 08/24/2023)
08/24/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 9/21/2023. (zalh) (Entered: 08/24/2023)
09/21/2023	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CALHOUN BHELLA & SECHREST LLP. (Bird, Adam) (Entered: 09/21/2023)
09/25/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before November 20, 2023, the parties shall file an additional joint status report regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on September 25, 2023. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 09/25/2023)
11/20/2023	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Bardo, John) (Entered: 11/20/2023)
11/21/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before January 19, 2024, the parties shall submit a joint status report regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on November 21, 2023. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 11/21/2023)
01/19/2024	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Bardo, John) (Entered: 01/19/2024)
01/22/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before March 19, 2024, the parties shall submit a joint status report regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on January 22, 2024. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 01/22/2024)
03/19/2024	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Bardo, John) (Entered: 03/19/2024)
03/20/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before April 19, 2024, the parties shall submit a joint status report regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on March 20, 2024. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 03/20/2024)
04/19/2024	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Bardo, John) (Entered: 04/19/2024)

04/19/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before July 18, 2024, the parties shall submit a joint status report regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on April 19, 2024. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 04/19/2024)
07/18/2024	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Bardo, John) (Entered: 07/18/2024)
07/19/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before October 16, 2024, the parties shall submit a joint status report regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on July 19, 2024. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 07/19/2024)