

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-02112-BAH**

MID-ATLANTIC INNOCENCE PROJECT v. FEDERAL
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION et al
Assigned to: Judge Beryl A. Howell
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 07/20/2023
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

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PROJECT**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
07/20/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-10219854) filed by MID-ATLANTIC INNOCENCE PROJECT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1-5, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 07/20/2023)
07/20/2023	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Topic on behalf of MID-ATLANTIC INNOCENCE PROJECT (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 07/20/2023)

07/21/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Beryl A. Howell. (zcb) (Entered: 07/21/2023)
07/21/2023	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zcb) (Entered: 07/21/2023)
07/25/2023	<u>4</u>	STANDING ORDER. Signed by Judge Beryl A. Howell on July 25, 2023. (lcbah1) (Entered: 07/25/2023)
08/20/2023	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Patricia K. McBride on behalf of All Defendants (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 08/20/2023)
08/20/2023	<u>6</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 08/20/2023)
08/22/2023		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) GRANTING defendants' <u>6</u> Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time and DIRECTING defendants to answer or otherwise respond to plaintiff's <u>1</u> Complaint by October 10, 2023. Signed by Judge Beryl A. Howell on August 22, 2023. (lcbah1) (Entered: 08/22/2023)
08/22/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant Answer Or Otherwise Response To The Plaintiff's <u>1</u> Complaint due by 10/10/2023. (mac) (Entered: 08/22/2023)
10/10/2023	<u>7</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 10/10/2023)
10/24/2023	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Merrick Jason Wayne on behalf of MID-ATLANTIC INNOCENCE PROJECT (Wayne, Merrick) (Entered: 10/24/2023)
10/24/2023	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by MID-ATLANTIC INNOCENCE PROJECT. (Wayne, Merrick) (Entered: 10/24/2023)
10/25/2023		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING the parties, upon consideration of their <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, to file, by December 8, 2023, a joint status report, advising the Court of the status of this matter. Signed by Judge Beryl A. Howell on October 25, 2023. (lcbah1) (Entered: 10/25/2023)
10/26/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/8/2023 (mac) (Entered: 10/26/2023)
11/07/2023	<u>10</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 8/3/2023 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 11/07/2023)
11/07/2023	<u>11</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION served on 8/4/2023 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 11/07/2023)
11/07/2023	<u>12</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 08/04/2023. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 11/07/2023)
11/07/2023	<u>13</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. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 11/07/2023)
12/06/2023	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 12/06/2023)
12/06/2023		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING the parties, upon consideration of their <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, to file, by February 15, 2024, a joint status report, advising the Court of the status of this matter. Signed by Judge Beryl A. Howell on December 6, 2023. (lcbah1) (Entered: 12/06/2023)
12/07/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/15/2024. (zalh) (Entered: 12/07/2023)

02/12/2024	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 02/12/2024)
02/13/2024		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING the parties, upon consideration of their <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, to file, by April 15, 2024, a joint status report, advising the Court of the status of this matter and whether any disputes remain between the parties and, if so, proposing a schedule to govern further proceedings. Signed by Judge Beryl A. Howell on February 13, 2024. (lcbah1) (Entered: 02/13/2024)
02/14/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Parties Joint Status Report due by 4/15/2024. (mac) (Entered: 02/14/2024)
04/11/2024	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 04/11/2024)
04/12/2024		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING the parties, upon consideration of their <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, to file, by July 30, 2024, a joint status report, advising the Court of the status of this matter and whether any disputes between the parties remain, unless a stipulation of dismissal is filed before then. Signed by Judge Beryl A. Howell on April 12, 2024. (lcbah1) (Entered: 04/12/2024)
04/16/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Parties Joint Status Report due by 7/30/2024. (mac) (Entered: 04/16/2024)
07/30/2024	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 07/30/2024)
07/31/2024		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING the parties, upon consideration of their <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, to file, by September 30, 2024, a joint status report, advising the Court of the status of this matter and whether any disputes between the parties remain, unless a stipulation of dismissal is filed before then. Signed by Judge Beryl A. Howell on July 31, 2024. (lcbah1) (Entered: 07/31/2024)
08/01/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Parties Joint Status Report due by 9/30/2024. (mac) (Entered: 08/01/2024)